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From the Director of Alumni and Parent Relations

"Ask not what your alumni chapter can do for you, but what YOU can do for your chapter." This is a familiar quote to all—although modified a bit. The SJC Alumni Association Board of Directors challenges YOU to get involved with Puma activities to be held in your area or on campus.

Chapter surveys were mailed to select regions this past summer. We hope you completed and returned yours, indicating ways that YOU plan to get involved. Community service, attending sporting or educational events, helping to recruit a prospective student, hiring a Puma graduate are a few of the ways you can stay connected to SJC.

Chapter Development will require the support of many—can we count on YOU?

Best Wishes,
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On The Cover

The cover illustration is by our own **Lina (Chesak) Liberace '85** who is a professional illustrator. Lina has generously provided the last two covers for *Contact*. This cover was originally commissioned by the Smithsonian. Look for an article about Lina in the "In the Arts" section of this *Contact*.

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We haven't heard from you lately, so...
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Check Out The Attached Postcard

*editor's note: A liberal arts education helps expand an individual's knowledge, broaden their ideas, and increase their understanding. They learn to think deeply, criticize, analyze, and understand. It provides them with the intellectual skills to transfer their inspiration into something tangible, complete, and creative. In this section of Contact, **Norbert Krapf '65** and **Lina Chesak '85** will be featured for their contributions to the world of the arts. Also, I will try to update you on a few additional alumni and faculty who are crafting their inspiration into exciting achievements. Hopefully, along the way, their liberal arts education has helped to nurture the creative process.*

Poetic History

Norbert Krapf '65 is a historian who expresses himself through poetry. Through his art he recreates past lives and voices. He states that in order to write you must, "find the material that goes deepest for you. When you find it, it speaks through you, not for you."

Krapf found his creative voice in becoming a student of his own roots. He found inspiration in learning about his ancestral past in southern Indiana and Germany.

He urges aspiring writers to write about what they know. "I would say, have patience when you

are first starting out, and to write about what you know. I had to move to New York to write about home."

Krapf was born and raised in Jasper, Indiana. He wrote about this German community sitting in the heart of the Midwest. *Somewhere in Southern Indiana* is his first full-length collection of poems. Common people from generations past come to life to speak about their everyday lives. They talk about family, work, children, weather, everyday events, observations, and traditions. As in any life, this collection of poetry embraces moments of joy, sorrow, love, laughter, and the comfort of continuity.

He continued his artistic and personal journey when writing *Blue-Eyed Grass: Poems of Germany*. In discovering his European past, he confronted the Holocaust and was forced to come to terms with his ethnic origins. "I felt a mixture of pain, sorrow, confusion, anger, frustration, perhaps even shame and resentment when I thought about World War II and the Holocaust," acknowledged Krapf.

The book contains 13 poems about a German Jewish woman named Klara Krapf who was exterminated in the Holocaust. While researching his book, he was shocked to see Klara's name on an exhibit listing the names of Bavarian

Jews who had been killed in concentration camps. Knowing that both sides of his family are Roman Catholic, he wondered if there was a Jewish line in his ancestry. In the end, Klara was not related to Mr. Krapf. However, her life and death spoke to Mr. Krapf in a way that made him able to get past his rage and express grief regarding the events of the Holocaust. His book cycles through the many emotions that German-Americans harbor when facing their German ancestry. It allowed him to put his German roots in perspective.

Krapf has written or edited 15 books and is widely considered one of the strongest poetic voices in search of German heritage. Ironically, even though Krapf grew up in a German settled community in Indiana, he did not learn German until he attended Saint Joseph's.

He is now finishing a

collection of poems set on Long Island named *Bittersweet Along the Expressway*, and a collection of essays about poetry, place, and ethnic heritage called *Where it All Began*. He is also working on a second collection of poems set in Indiana called *The Horseradish Man and Other Poems*.

Krapf is currently a professor of English and director at the poetry center at the C.W. Post Campus of Long Island University. He has taught at Notre Dame and twice served in Germany as a Senior Fulbright Professor of American Poetry at the University of Freiburg and the University of Erlangen-Nuremberg.



Norbert Krapf '65 (center) joined Rachel Barlage '98 and Jeremy White '98 for a poetry reading when he visited campus.



Lina Chesak '85 (far right) poses with her parents, Dr. and Mrs. Chesak (far left), and mother-in-law Mrs. Liberace (left of Lina) at an opening honoring Lina's induction into the permanent exhibit Women Illustrators: Past and Present. The Humpty Dumpty illustration on the wall is Lina's work.

Fairy Tales Do Come True

Once upon a time there was a girl named Lina. She grew up in the Midwest and longed to become a professional artist. When it became time for her to make her place in the world, she did not know how to pursue her dream. She went to college and majored in marketing. When she graduated she had a wonderful education, but she did not know how to be an artist. Lina wondered if her dream was just a fairy tale. Armed with common sense, the desire to succeed, and loads of raw talent, Lina moved to Washington to find her way. It was all a very

magical journey. After some time, her good fortune and hard work paid off, and her dream came true.

Lina Chesak '85, a freelance illustrator in Washington, D.C., might be called upon to illustrate this fairy tale. She would know exactly what to do since this is her story.

Chesak has been an illustrator for over 10 years and counts among her publication credits projects developed for National Wildlife, National Geographic, Traveler, and American Way in-flight magazine, to name a few. She has illustrated books for Simon and Schuster and Harcourt Brace, and her corporate clients include the Smithsonian

Institution, Proctor and Gamble, Bell Atlantic, and Wilson Sporting Goods. Her work is also part of a permanent traveling collection titled Women Illustrators: Past and Present which is compiled and managed by the Society of Illustrators Museum of American Illustration. When Lina started out, she had just enough of an art foundation to get a job

in a small design firm. From there she took classes, but does not always use the traditional techniques that are taught. "Several years ago I took a four day seminar in New York from a guy who teaches the 'traditional way' to paint. I hated every minute of it." So the resourceful Lina developed her own technique.

She paints with oils on the back of frosted Mylar. With the paint, she builds layers using progressively thicker coats of paints. Lina feels that this approach allows her to build depth and deepen the image without disturbing what is on the surface. She also feels that not being pushed into an established tech-

nique taught in art schools might actually be an advantage for her now.

In the end the instructor of her class looked at her portfolio and said, "You do some pretty nice stuff for not knowing how to paint." According to Lina, she still does not know how.

Lina's fanciful creatures and soft edges have made her a popular illustrator of children's books. She recently finished illustrations for a Random House book titled *Charlie Muffin's Miracle Mouse* which is written by the same author that wrote the children's classic, eventually made into an Oscar nominated movie, *Babe: The Gallant Pig*. Look for this book to be in the stores in the spring of 1999. Also, she is now finishing the illustrations for *Polly Hopper's Pouch* which will be in bookstores in about a year.

She is putting her marketing degree from Saint Joseph's to good use. Lina is launching her own line of fanciful merchandise and illustrating her own ideas. Her company is called "lina beans" and her first project is a series of Humpty Dumpty clocks. This series of six clocks includes a baker, gardener, shepherd, chef, fancy boy, and laughing Humpty Dumpty. For more information about Lina's line of products, visit her web site at <http://www.choicemall.com/linabeans> or call Lina at 703-573-4433.

Lina's fairy tale does not have an ending, but you might ask if her story has a prince. The answer is yes. In 1997, Lina married artist Robert Liberace. He was an instructor for a class Lina took to study classical drawing. Quite an accomplished artist himself, Liberace recently finished a sculpture commissioned by the National Shrine of the Immaculate Conception. In fact, Liberace has taken on the challenge of developing a new design concept for Saint Joseph's fountain.

All of the elements of Chesak's fairy tale are now in place. All that remains is for her to live happily-ever-after.

"Show Stopping" Pumas

Philip Deaver, Author and Educator

Philip Deaver '68 is an author of short stories and poetry. He won the Flannery O'Connor Award for Short Fiction and the O. Henry Award. He is the author of *Silent Retreats*, an award-winning collection of short stories.

He currently helps to shape young minds as an assistant professor of English at Rollings College in Winter Park, Florida.

Mark Doss, Opera Singer

Mark Doss '80 started out at Saint Joseph's



Mark S. Doss '80, Opera Singer

College as a seminarian studying to become a priest in the *Missionaries of the Precious Blood*. Along the way his plans changed and he is now one of the world's leading opera and concert bass-baritones.

A 1993 Grammy Award winner for his participation in the CD of Handel's *Semele*, Mark is also a past First Prize Winner of the International Verdi Competition, a Metropolitan Opera Finalist Winner, and a recipient of the National Institute for Music Theatre's George London Opera Prize.

He has sung opera with some of the most prestigious opera houses in the world and also performed with many of America's finest symphonies. He has studied and coached with such distinguished artists as Nicola Rossi-Lemeni, Walter Cassel, Carlo Bergonzi, Frank Galati, and Stephen Wadsworth. He has

worked under the direction of Riccardo Muti, Richard Bonyng, Sergiu Comissiona, Julius Rudel, and Robert Shaw.

John Klawitter, Writer and Director

John Klawitter '60 has spent the past 25 years working as a writer and director based in Hollywood. He has written and produced for CBS, NBC, Disney, The Disney Channel, Paramount, Universal, Atlantis Productions, along with running his own production company. He has also worked on animation projects for Disney, Warner Bros Animation, Hanna-Barbera, Phil Mendez Productions, Zoiyu Productions (Japan), Pink Planet Productions (Holland) and Franke Films (Finland). He has directed a wide range of stars and personalities, including Bill Cosby, Ali McGraw, Jane Alexander, Jacqueline Bisset, Ray Bradbury, George Plimpton, Leslie Nielson, and many others.

Klawitter's film writing credits include the Emmy Award winning political documentary scene titled *Politic*. Additional credits include "The Great American Dreammobile", "Le Mans", "The Adventures of Sports Goofy", and "Here comes Sam" (The Olympic Eagle). He has also adapted several novels to screenplay format, most notably *Hobberdy Dick*, by

K.M. Briggs, *Styx*, by Christopher Hyde and *Monster Tales* by Phil Mendez, and his own novel *Crazyhead*.

One of his short stories, "Jack's Boat", won a prize at the Key West Hemingway Days festival. A collection of his short stories, "Touched", won a special mention from the prestigious Flannery O'Connor Short Fiction Awards. Klawitter's first novel was an action/thriller titled *Crazyhead*. He also authored *Headslap*, the "as told to" biography of the life and times of NFL Hall of Famer Deacon Jones.

Edward Kolaczyk, Commercial Novelist

Edward Kolaczyk '58 graduated from Saint Joseph's with a degree in Math-Physics. He has worked as a manufacturing engineer and a research chemist. With IBM he worked in software development, marketing, and finance. Now he and his wife, Anne, write romance novels under the pen name of Andrea Edwards.

Since 1982 the Kolaczyks have written 56 novels. They have developed paperback fiction for Avon, Berkeley/Jove, Bantam, and Harlequin/Silhouette, as well as novelizations of episodes from "The Young and the Restless." They now write exclusively for Silhouette Special Edition (a division of Harlequin).

If I Only Had a Husband, their fifty-sixth book, will be released in the spring of 1999. Upcoming major projects include the development of an independent romance/mystery and a book of sayings from the ethnic neighborhood where Ed grew up titled *God Sends His Love in a Broken Bowl: Life's Lessons Learned at Pejza's Tavern*.



Mark LaMura, Actor

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Mark LaMura '70 is a veteran of stage, television, and film. He is probably best known for his 11-year portrayal of Mark Dalton on "All My Children." This role earned him an Emmy nomination.

Other television credits include guest appearances in "LA Law", "Matlock", "Hunter", "Star Trek: The Next Generation", "Diagnosis Murder", and "Cybill".

His feature film credits include *The Russia House*, *See You in the Morning*, *Naked in New York*, *Soldier's Home*, and at the Cannes Festival in *Surprise*.

LaMura has recently

appeared on Broadway in *Taking Sides*. He has appeared Off Broadway in *When Ladies Battle*, *The History of JFK*, and *The Trials of Oscar Wilde*.



Matthew O'Brien, Novelist and Screen Writer

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Matthew O'Brien '92 published his first novel, *Chameleon: The March Madness Murders*, in 1997 at the age of 27. Since then life has been interesting. He just finished an original screenplay titled *Dead Gamble* and is now completing his second novel titled *Game Breakers*. *Dead Gamble* is a suspense-thriller, and *Game Breakers* is an NFL mystery.

Chameleon is set during the NCAA Final Four tournament. Much of the action takes place in Lafayette; Bloomington; and Indianapolis, Indiana. However, make sure you notice the many mentions of familiar places in

northwest, IN. Pay particular attention to page 28 with its reference to Rensselaer and a fictitious college named Saint Thomas.

O'Brien states that learning the ropes of the business is essential for success. "I temporarily put aside working on my novel to write the screen play on the advice of my agent. Having a screenplay will make me more marketable and allow me more control in future negotiations." Matthew has spent the last year learning how to write a screenplay and producing one at the same time.

If you are interested in obtaining an autographed copy of *Chameleon: The March Madness Murders*, contact his publisher at <http://www.guildpress.com>.

Pat Riha, Creative Management and Production

Pat Riha '71 can't sing or read music, but he has produced shows with Garth Brooks, Wynonna Judd, the late Roy Orbison, Judy Collins and over 100 other national recording artists. He has also worked with sports legends Joe Carter, Marcus Allen, Richard Petty, and Lee Trevino. In his role as president of Pat Riha Productions, he has planned programs with President Ronald Reagan, Reverend Billy Graham, and space shuttle commander Michael Coats. His company produces special events for corporations and associations.

Pat Riha Productions was formed in 1989 to fill an entertainment niche



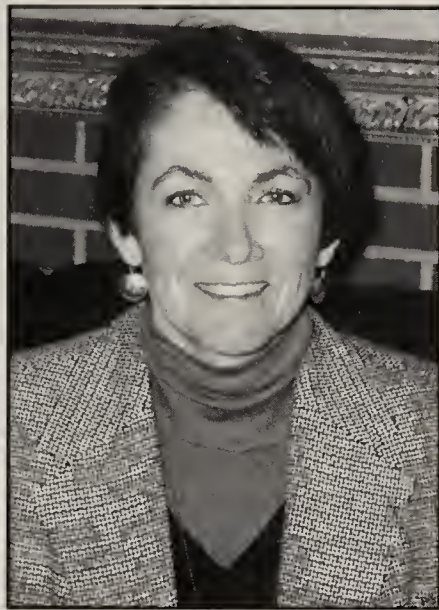
Pat Riha '71 (far right) and Joseph Hartman '88 (far left) pose with three-time Grammy Award winner Lou Rawls. Riha produced and Hartman provided technical assistance for a concert featuring Rawls as part of the NCAA Final Four Activities.

that did not exist in the Midwest for corporations and associations. The company provides the creative management and production skills to create events for special corporations and associations. This includes marketing, sales, sponsorship, and value added promotions for companies looking to entice consumers or reward client and employee loyalty.

Jim Sacco, Journalist and Author

Jim Sacco '97 is working on his first novel which is based on an assignment he wrote for his sophomore civil war class at Saint Joseph's. The story, currently untitled, is historical fiction. It is about a Union soldier battling in the Army of the Potomac. The soldier is also fighting his own personal battle, and the mental anguish ultimately leads him to making his own suicidal charge. The book is being published by Cactus Books.

Along with his novel, Jim is also a journalist and sports desk chief for the *Manassas Journal Messenger*. He was named one of 1997's Top Seven Young Journalists by the Virginia Press Association. In 1998, he was presented two first place awards by the Virginia Press Association: one award is for series writing and the other is for spot news.



Bonnie Zimmer, Teacher and Artist

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Bonnie Zimmer is an artist who crafts non-traditional basketry from organic materials indigenous to Indiana. She has taught art at Saint Joseph's College for over 18 years. She also teaches at the high school level and was named Secondary Art Educator and Indiana Art Educator for 1997 by the Art Education Association of Indiana. In addition, she was selected by the National Art Education Association as the 1998 Western Regional Art Educator. She has received many grants and honors in teaching including the Lilly Teacher Creativity Fellowship and two Master Fellowships in

Crafts from the Indiana Arts Commission.

As a talented artist, her works are in museums and private collections. Most recently, her art was exhibited at the Governor's Mansion in Indianapolis, Indiana. As a result of that exhibition her talents were then summoned to Washington D.C. to design a snowman ornament for the White House Christmas tree. That ornament is now a part of the White House's permanent collection.

Zimmer has been an inspiration to many SJC students. **Lina Chesak '85** (see feature story "Fairy Tales Do Come True") felt she was pushed to pursue her talent by "encouraging and exuberant teachers." One of those teachers was Bonnie Zimmer.



A New Tradition

Saint Joseph's College again became "home" to students as it began the 1998-99 academic year. This marked the one hundred and seventh year that the College has opened its doors for the purpose of education. With the beginning of classes, the College celebrated the thirtieth year of teaching the nationally acclaimed Core Education program, the one hundredth anniversary of the opening of the Lourdes Grotto, and the over thirty years of dedication to co-education. In recognition of these accomplishments, the entire SJC community gathered to inaugurate the academic year with a fall convocation. The convocation began a new tradition for the College.

At the convocation, the College made a public statement of its mission and vision for the future. The convocation also encompassed an academic procession, the induction of the freshman class, and the commission of the senior class into a student leadership role. According to President Albert J. Shannon, "The convocation also gave Dr. David Chatten, vice president for academic affairs, and myself an opportunity to set the tone for academic goals and institutional vision for the ensuing year."

Also, The Missionaries of the Precious Blood, who provide spiritual guidance for the College, renewed their sponsorship of the College and announced the biblical theme, "Put On the New Self," for the 1998-99 academic year.

The Saint Joseph's College Difference

editor's note: This is the address that President Albert J. Shannon made at the inaugural 1998 Fall Convocation.



President Albert J. Shannon addressed the students at the fall convocation.

Mr. Chairman, Trustees, Alumni Board, Advisory Board members, faculty, staff, honored guests, family members, and especially students; rarely does a community of our size who commits itself to this united endeavor of both intellect and faith, have the luxury to pause in our daily pursuits to ask where we have been, where we are,

and where we are going. Thank you for taking a few moments today to join with us in this exploration. But first, a quick word on where we have been.

It was one hundred and nine years ago, for those of you who do not know, that Saint Joseph's College was chartered. One hundred and seven years ago Father Augustine Siefert, whose statue still stands here, was named the first president and addressed the first academic convocation. One hundred years ago, we built the Lourdes Grotto. Fifty years ago, we had only fifty graduates and a lay Board of Advisors. Ten years ago, the women's basketball team went 27-4, the women's track team completed its third consecutive undefeated year, minority scholarships were added to the Saint Joseph's College financial aid package, and we upgraded our phone and computer services.

In recent years, we have built a new Core Education Center; our baseball team has been in the World Series two out of the last three years; our football team recently set a school record of nine wins and two losses; we've had nationally ranked soccer teams, tennis teams, track and cross country teams. Equally important:

- we're celebrating thirty years of Core and of co-education;
- we've upgraded our

radio/tv station and computer network;

- we've enhanced our student counseling and support services;
- we've doubled our endowment;
- we've grown our marching band and our chorus to triple and quadruple their size;
- we've beautified the campus;
- we've employed a new food service;
- we've celebrated our ongoing relationship with the Missionaries of the Precious Blood;
- we've added academic majors and enhanced our faculty. As you see before you, these faculty, by actual count, represent over one thousand years of teaching experience.

Who are we? When people ask what is our legacy, what will you say? You will tell them that we are almost twelve thousand alumni strong with distinguished alumni in law, medicine, education, business, as well as religious and service professions. One study ranks Saint Joseph's College in the top twenty-five percent of all liberal arts colleges who send students on for Ph.D.s. You are to be proud. In our one hundred and eight year history, we have been home for approximately one thousand Missionaries of the Precious Blood. In our history, we have spent over a billion dollars on the education of young people in budgets and in

buildings. We have recorded some eight thousand victories in athletic events including a national championship in football. We have developed a Core program recognized in several national publications and have been identified by Ernest Boyer of the Carnegie Foundation for the Advancement of Teaching as one of the most cited general education programs in the country along with Harvard and the University of Chicago. We are Saint Joseph's College and we stand proud!

When people ask who we are and how we differ and why did you choose Saint Joseph's College, *you might say* I wanted the connection between my life of faith and my life of humanly created knowledge. *You might say* I met people who knew my name and share a sense of community beyond clubs and friendship. *You might say* I chose Saint Joseph's College because I wanted to study my major with these faculty and be a co-learner in this community.

You will say that people treated you with respect everywhere you turned. That is the Saint Joseph's College difference. You know that Core will pay off for you in the real world. That's why Saint Joseph's College makes the difference. You will soon understand that no other place ever provided the people, the challenges, and the career

opportunities or learning environment as well as Saint Joseph's College.

We all know that you want a chance to give something back to a community. That's why you chose Saint Joseph's College to exercise your academic and athletic talent. You will say that you want a place that holds the human person as a central point of nature and history. That is the Saint Joseph's College difference. We all want a place that is not afraid to base its very existence on the teachings of Jesus Christ. That is the Saint Joseph's College difference. You want a place that is committed to making your education affordable. That is the Saint Joseph's College difference. You want a Catholic, liberal arts, service-oriented, athletically inclined, career-oriented institution. That is the difference at Saint Joseph's College. You want a place that you fit, a place that you can feel a part of, a place that you can change, a place that you can influence, a place that you can leave a mark upon. That is the Saint Joseph's College difference.

Our challenges are many. As I have told every faculty and staff person, as well as every student here, *"Make Saint Joseph's College a better place just because you were here."* We will ask each of you to improve us while you are here and support us when you

leave, remembering that those who came before you made sacrifices so you, as students, might be able to be here.

We do not use the word family lightly at Saint Joseph's College. We are a family of shared values: integrity, honesty, hard work, open communication, participatory decision making, moral responsibility, service to others, academic excellence, student leadership, Christian humanism, the seeking of truth, spiritual development and above all our respect for diversity.

What is it that we can expect of each other as members of this community? We each contribute to the learning, living environment everyday in a positive way. That means you need to look at your role in this community. If you are a teacher, simply be the best. Nothing less is tolerated. If you are a learner, never, ever have your thirst quenched. If you are in maintenance and cleaning, everything sparkles. If you are administering a program, set and meet the highest goals. If you are coaching, win with integrity. If you are managing an office, remember that students are the center of our existence. If you are a student, challenge yourself, your religion and your moral sense to grow and develop. Just like Paul's letter to the Ephesians demanded that we put on that "new" self.

Now briefly to our future. You must believe that you are part of one of the Midwest's best private, liberal arts colleges. You must share the vision that Saint Joseph's College prepares young people for lives of work, Christian service, and citizenship as well as it can be done in higher education. You must believe that our particular blend of core, professional preparations, service orientation, athletics, and Christian humanism delivered by this Saint Joseph's College family is unique, unmatched, unparalleled in quality and approach, and found nowhere else in the world.

Know that we are making fiscally responsible plans for visible as well as infrastructure improvement. That is part of our vision.

Know that we desperately want better residence halls, more library books, more computers, more student activities, more budgets for academics and athletics, more compensation for our staff and affordable tuition for our students.

Know that for those of us who work here, *students are our jobs*. They are our future.

Dream with us that our shared vision of renovated academic venues, refurbished residence halls, a new campus village and student center, and new student apartments will be a reality on this campus within the

next two years. This is part of our vision.

Believe in our missionary vision of excellence based on the unique people that make up this community.

In all that we do, we are inspired by Saint Gaspar and by Saint Joseph, our patrons. As missionaries, each one of us spreads the good words of progress, excellence in academics, service to our communities, and the development of the mind, the body, and the spirit of everyone who calls Saint Joseph's College home.

Finally, the vision is simply that this community lives, prays, wins, loses, suffers, learns, and grows together. Our

vision entails restlessness. We are changing, we are dynamic but we know we are on the right path. *Welcome* to your future! *Welcome* to the last academic year before the millennium! *Welcome* to your home away from home! *Welcome* to where your restlessness will be respected, where your faith and reason will be challenged together.

Here we are Lord. We are Saint Joseph's College. Please hold us in the Palm of Your Hand.

With a Little Help From Our Alumni

Fall 1998 marked the second largest incoming

class to enroll at Saint Joseph's College since 1991. The College welcomed 234 new full-time freshmen and 30 full-time transfer students. That brings total enrollment to slightly over 900 students with 662 living on campus. The College wants to acknowledge the generous efforts of our alumni who have helped to make this such a successful year. At the same time, we are asking for your continued assistance.

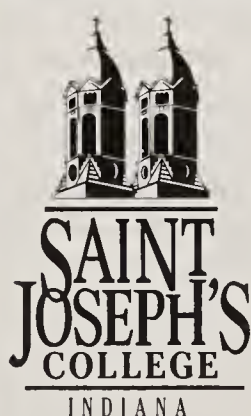
Plans for the class of 2003 are well underway. Three alumni have accepted positions in the Admissions Office as representatives. **Jessica Beckemeier '98**, will cover southern Chicago, Indiana's Lake county, all states outside the

Midwest, and international students. **Brian Corrigan '95**, will recruit in Michigan, Wisconsin, and northern Illinois. **Jame Holt '97** will be busy meeting with prospective Pumas in Ohio and northeastern Indiana.

Recently the Alumni Board assisted the Office of Admissions with a communications campaign. Alumni helped in recruitment efforts by contacting prospective students and discussing Saint Joseph's College with them. This was a pilot program that was successful in its first year of implementation. Plans include expanding the program for the future.

Your presence is requested at a number of area events. This spring and summer, receptions will be held in Chicago, Illinois; Dayton, Ohio; Detroit, Michigan; Fort Wayne, Indiana; Indianapolis, Indiana; Merrillville, Indiana; Rockford, Indiana; South Bend, Indiana; and St. Louis, Missouri. On occasion, the College may also need the assistance of alumni at high school fairs. Having local alumni present at these events to talk with prospective students is the best testimony available to illustrate the educational experience at Saint Joseph's.

The Alumni Endorsement Application Program has been very helpful in recruitment efforts. As an alumnus, the College wants you to



What is the value of a Saint Joseph's College experience?

"Making the transition from high school to college wasn't as hard as I thought it would be; everyone was so willing to help. There was a lot of work to do with my major and the Core program, but I have learned to think about issues, see where I stand and be more objective and understanding of others."

Chad Creager '97
Fort Wayne, Indiana

SJC's nationally renowned Core program develops the whole person and teaches students to think on their feet.
Your gift to the College Fund helps support the CORE program.

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assist prospective students in investigating the educational opportunities at Saint Joseph's. Please feel free to waive the \$25 application fee for as many prospective students as you wish by signing the front of the application for admission and including your year of graduation.

With your help, as ambassadors for SJC, the College is anticipating another great freshman class of 2003. If you have questions or want to become involved in any of the programs we have described, please contact the Office of Admissions at 1-800-447-8781 or e-mail us at admissions@saintjoe.edu.

Family Ties

This fall 13 new legacy Pumas have enrolled at Saint Joseph's. It's wonderful to see the heritage of Puma pride handed down to another genera-

tion. Have you thought about creating a family tradition by sending your children to Saint Joseph's? After all, you know it is one of the finest educational experiences available. You're the living proof!

Some of the newest legacies are excited about their decision to attend SJC. Katherine Gradl '02, a biology-chemistry major from Lockport, Illinois, commented, "I love it here. When I visited, it felt like home. It just felt right. I really like the Core program and the fact that so many SJC graduates are able to get into graduate school." Katherine says that her Dad, **Michael Gradl '72**, wasn't sure she would like the College when they were looking and didn't push her to attend. "I was the one who wanted to investigate SJC," stated Katherine. "When we visited, my Dad liked the

College more now than when he attended!"

Anastasia Ostman '02, from Garrett, Indiana, says that her Father, **Charles Ostman '71**, has hoped that one of his eight children would choose to attend Saint Joseph's. "I guess I'm it," stated Anastasia. "I knew coming to Saint Joseph's would please my Father, but the decision was totally mine. When I made my college visit, the people here were friendly and I felt comfortable. Also, I have family in the area, and attending college here has given me

the opportunity to get to know them better."

Did you know that the College offers an alumni grant to the dependent children of SJC alumni. This \$1,000 grant is not based on need and is renewable. Think of it as the College's way of keeping the family together!

If you want to learn more about admission to the College and the Alumni Grant, contact the Office of Admissions at P.O. Box 890, Rensselaer, Indiana 47978. You may also call 1-800-447-8781, or e-mail the office at admissions@saintjoe.edu.

Freshman Class Profile

Enrolled: 252 **Men:** 127 **Women:** 125

Percent from Indiana: 63%

Percent Catholic: 59%

Percent participating in NCAA division II Athletics: 48%

States represented: CO, FL, GA, IL, IN, KA, KY, MI, MO, OH, OR, VA, WI

Multi-cultural enrollment: 9%

African Americans: 5% **Asian:** <1%
Hispanic: 3% **Native American:** 0%

Percent graduating from high school in:

Top 10% of class: 17%

Top 25% of class: 39%

Top 50% of class: 72%

Middle 50% range of SAT I: 920-1100-
Average=1043

Middle 50% range of ACT: 19-25-Average=22

GPA: 3.05

Five most popular majors:

Elementary Education

Biology-Chemistry

Mass Communications

Psychology

Computer Science



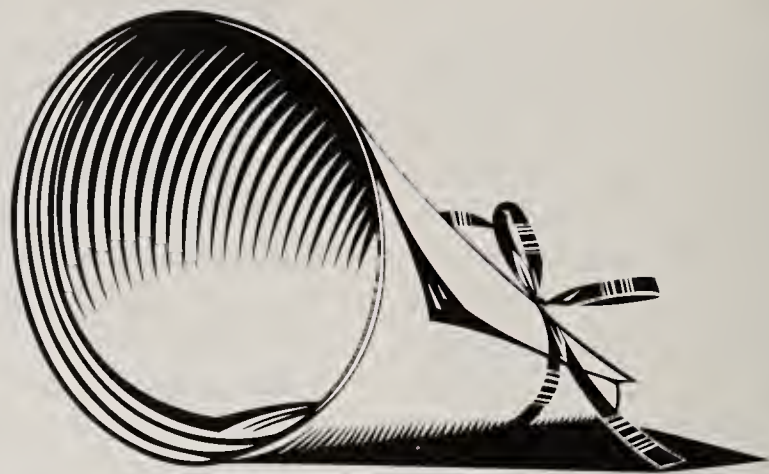
SJC Legacy Pumas include (seated L-R) Anastasia Ostman '02, Katherine Gradl '02 (standing L-R) Lori Kuhlman '01, Greg Gulvas '02, and Lisa Kuhlman '99. Not pictured are Derek Boss '02, Kyle Lewis '02, Nathan Plant '02, James Traub '02, and John Wheelcock '02.

Class of 1998 Graduates

United States Congressman Steve Buyer was the keynote speaker at 103rd commencement exercises for the graduating class of 1998. The congressman also received a honorary doctor of laws degree from the College.

Valedictorians for the Class of 1998 were **Amanda McIlwain Hauser**, elementary education, Rensselaer, Indiana, and **Rachel Barlage**, English, Boone, North Carolina. The Medal of Saint Gaspar was bestowed to **Father Charles Banet C.P.P.S. '50**, for outstanding service and dedication to the College from an alumnus.

Honorary doctorate degrees were given to Michael Davis, Emeritus Professor of Geology and 27 year member of the College's Board of Trustees; and the **Reverend Monsignor Albert H. Van Nevel, '36** a priest for 50 years, serving at Holy Angels in Gary, Indiana, Notre Dame in Michigan City, Indiana, and Our Lady of Grace in Highland, Indiana.



Banet Honored at Commencement

Reverend Charles Banet, C.P.P.S. '50 was presented with the Medal of Saint Gaspar during commencement exercises. The award is given for outstanding service and dedication from an alumnus. This is the fourth time, in the history of the College, that this honor was given.

Banet's association with the College spans more than half a century. In 1945 he came to the College as a student and graduated in 1950. After earning his master's degree from the University of Michigan, he returned to Saint Joseph's in 1952 to the position of head librarian. He was appointed executive assistant to the president of Saint Joseph's in September of 1964 and was elected president in 1965. He retired from the presidency of Saint Joseph's College in 1993. He continues to sit on the College's Board of

Trustees. He now serves as co-pastor of Holy Rosary Church in Galveston, Texas.

His tenure as president is the longest on record at Saint Joseph's College, one of his major accomplishments was expanding the role of the lay governing board of the College. Father Banet stressed that, "the future of all Catholic colleges lies in the involvement, dedication, support, and love of laymen who believe in their educational missions." This policy gave the College a strong base of overall support strengthening both its academic and financial foundations.

Under his guidance, the College became a residential coeducational institution in 1968. This increased the pool of potential students and expanded the academic, athletic, cultural, and social dimensions of the College.

In his first speech to the College's faculty and staff in 1966, Father Banet built the foundation for the Core Curriculum. His vision of an integrated general education program has now become one of the most highly acclaimed academic programs in the nation.

He has been awarded the Sagamore of the Wabash (1979 and 1985), Kentucky Colonel (1985), and the Sparks-Jones Award of Associated Colleges of Indiana (1977).

Father Banet received an honorary degree from the Calumet College of Saint Joseph, Whiting, Indiana (1970) and an honorary doctor of laws degree from Saint Joseph's College (1991).

Little 500 Raced to Successful Finish

Twenty students and alumni drivers participated in the racing festivities surrounding the thirty-fifth running of Little 500 and the fifth anniversary of the alumni race.

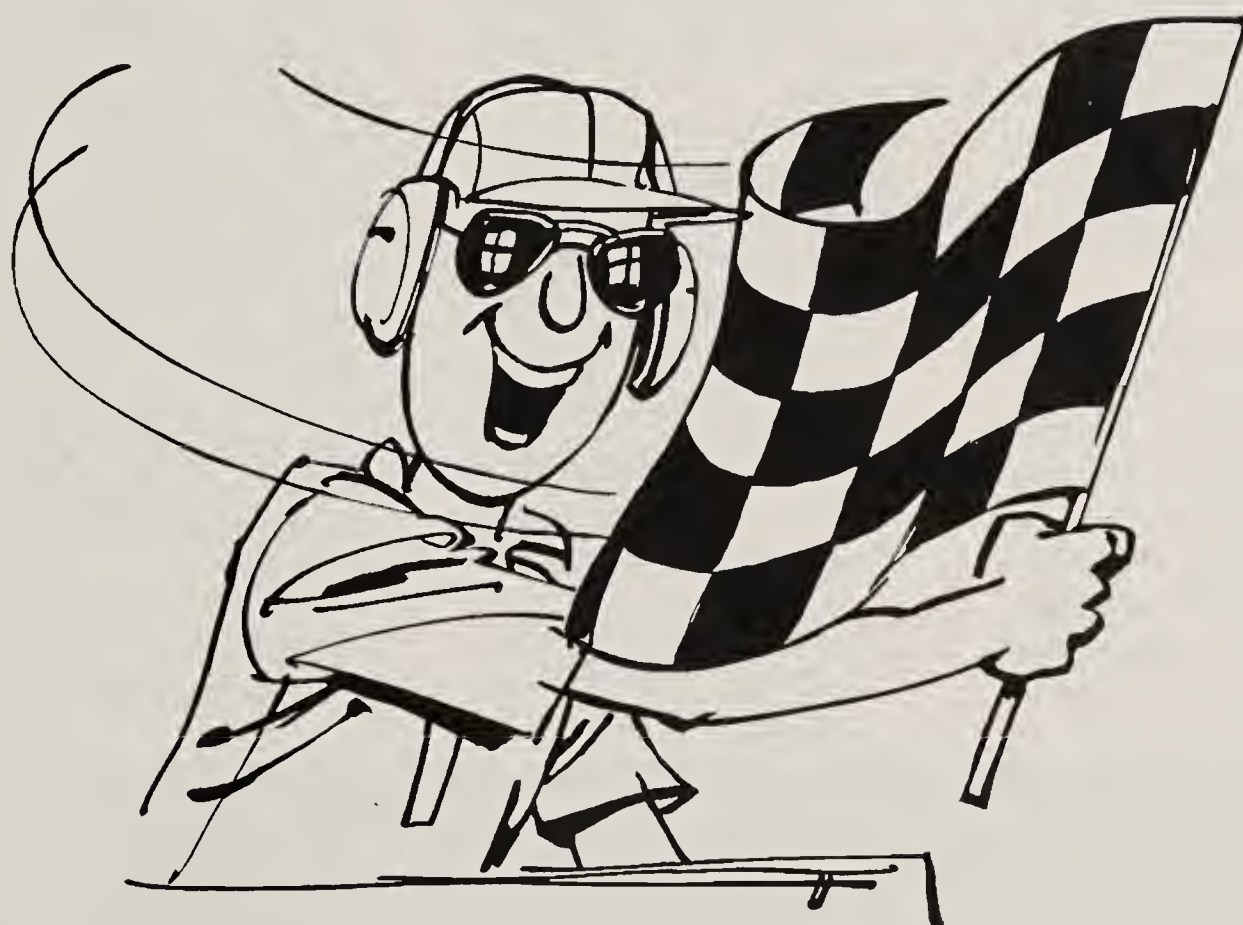
Ten competed in the alumni race. **Stephen Koos '95** won the checkered flag by completing 77 laps in one hour. Finishing in the top five were **Jason Ostrowski '94**, second place; **Edward Balas '96**, third place; **Jonathan Messman '90**, fourth

place; and **Sean Shannon '97**, fifth place. Also racing were **Mathew Davy '96**, **William Hardy '79**, **Thomas Messman Jr. '90**, **Thomas Messman Sr. '68**, and **Michael Stader '94**.

Ten student drivers raced for top honors in the student race. **Bradley Gellert '98** won by lapping the half-mile track 205 times in two hours and forty-five minutes. Finishing out the top five were Charles Martin '01,

second place; Carrie Edgell '99, third place; **Joseph Vorrier '98**, fourth place; and Craige Phipps '00, fifth place. Other participants included **Andrew Hicks '98**, Bill Knox '01, Shawn Roser '00, Blair VanVelse '99, and **Mary Zurek '98**.

Next year's event is scheduled for April 24, 1999. Save this date on your calendar and plan to make a pit stop at Little 500.





Franklin "Goldie" Ashford '99 helps two young Pumas play games at the Celebrating Diversity Day.

Diversity Celebrated at SJC

The communities of Saint Joseph's College and Rensselaer celebrated the first "Unity in the Community: Celebrating Diversity" day in the fall of 1998. The event was held on the intramural playing field of the

College and over 2,500 people attended.

The purpose of the diversity fair was to make a positive statement that the College and surrounding community value and support diversity. All events were free and open to the general public.

Activities that highlighted the day included sports clinics for children of all ages which were supervised by Saint Joseph's College athletes

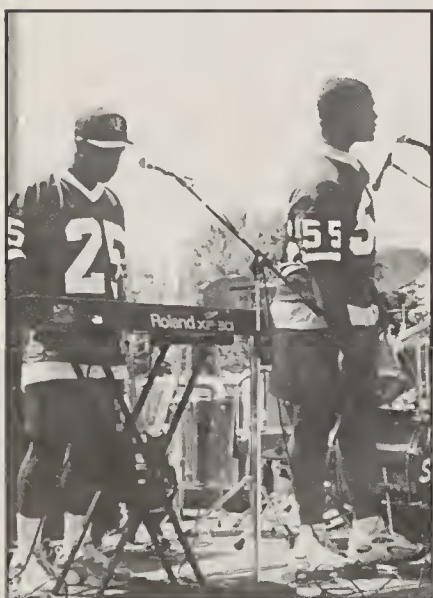
and coaches. Other events included a diversity poster and sidewalk drawing contest, face painting, story telling, balloons, and games. Adults and teens enjoyed a full afternoon of entertainment which included an acoustic guitarist, acapella song stylists, contemporary rock, and the gospel song styles of SJC's own Rickey McCray '01 and Aaron Thomas '01.

Activities were sponsored by over 40 civic organizations and businesses including the Jasper County Ministerial Association, The City of Rensselaer, and many departments and student organizations from Saint Joseph's College. The day ended with an ecumenical church service featuring Christian music.

Trustee Scholarship Dinner

Approximately 200 alumni, trustees, and friends gathered at the 1998 Trustees' Scholarship Dinner and Silent Auction. We are now planning for the 1999 dinner. It will be held on April 16, 1999 at the Ritz-Carlton in downtown Chicago. Chicago's Cardinal George will be the honored guest along with SJC's top graduating seniors.

The Silent Auction has become an integral part of the dinner and a viable fund-raiser. If you have anything that you would like to donate to this year's auction, please contact the President's Office at (219) 866-6157. Sports memorabilia, tickets, trips, and crystal are always good items. All proceeds from this event go toward funding scholarships.



Rickey McCray '01 (left) and Aaron Thomas '01 share their gospel music at Diversity Day.

If you are interested in becoming involved with the Parents' Association, please complete this form and return it to: The Office of Alumni and Parent Relations, Saint Joseph's College, P.O. Box 870, Rensselaer, Indiana, 47978-0870

Yes, I am interested in helping the Parents' Association. I'm especially interested in:

- | | |
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| <input type="checkbox"/> Campus activities | <input type="checkbox"/> Regional activities |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Student recruitment | <input type="checkbox"/> Career assistance |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Fund-raising | <input type="checkbox"/> Leadership Team |

Name of Parent _____

Address _____ City _____

State _____ Zip _____ Phone Number (____) _____

Name of Student _____ Year in school _____

If you have not received an invitation in the past for the dinner and would like to attend, please call the President's Office at 219-866-6157.

Parents' Weekend

November 6-7-8 marked a special time for Puma Parents. It was an opportunity to bring the whole family to campus in celebration of Parents' Weekend.

Festivities included the induction of 45 new members into Alpha Lambda Delta, the freshman academic honor society. Also, David Weed, director of counseling services, spoke to parents regarding the phases that students go through as part of the college experience.

The Columbian Players staged a production of *Arsenic and Old Lace* throughout the weekend. Kathy Jarowicz '99 directed the comedy, and with the help of a talented cast killed the audience with laughter. An appropriate pun for this play!

A Day in the Life of a Volunteer

Submitted by Ann O'Hara '85, Indianapolis Chapter President

As a service project, the Indianapolis alumni chapter chose to assist the Saint Vincent de Paul Society's distribution center for a Saturday. The distribution center has a

variety of donated items ranging from clothes and personal items to large appliances, such as stoves and refrigerators. Pre-selected clients from area parishes have the opportunity every Saturday to tour the Center and select items of need. Clients are escorted through the Center by volunteers and do all necessary pick-up and drop-off of large items. Approximately 30-35 people volunteer at the center on Saturdays. Some are regular volunteers and others do it once per quarter.

I arrived at the distribution center at 7:30 a.m. and had my sleeves pushed up by 8:00 a.m. to begin assisting clients. Was it my lucky day? I'm still not certain, but I was drafted to be on the "pick-up team" which meant that I became a professional mover for a day. While it was definitely more of a workout than

any aerobics class I've attended, it was well worth the time and effort to witness the generosity of people who donate to the Saint Vincent de Paul Society. Lifting such heavy items worked up a real appetite and the folks at the Society had lunch ready upon our return at 12:30. Life couldn't have been better!

It was a fun and truly rewarding experience, despite all the bruises! I met some very admirable people during this volunteer project and encourage all chapters to think about a community service project like this, for it brings great joy to the lives you touch.

Students Reap Rewards of Service

During the fall months of 1998, SJC students

organized and implemented several service and/or awareness projects. These projects were designed to help those in need celebrate the holidays or to create awareness for those who live with a life challenge. While many of our students demonstrate acts of service and kindness without recognition, it is a pleasure to acknowledge kind efforts in *Contact*.

- Thanksgiving found the Minority Student Union collecting groceries and assembling food baskets to be distributed by the Crisis Center.
- The men's and women's basketball programs held a "Game of Thanks" and asked that spectators, in leau of admission, bring a canned good to be donated to the local food pantry. Also, all the gate receipts were



The Columbian Players held a Christmas benefit performance to help Morningstar Home for Girls.

donated to the food pantry.

- The Columbian Players held a Christmas performance to benefit the Morningstar Home for Girls in Logansport, Indiana. Working in conjunction with Campus Ministry, The Columbian Players presented an evening of songs, comedy, and improvisation centered around Christmas. A donation of clothing or canned food was requested in leau of admission.
- SJC students and the surrounding community held its fourth Covenant House Vigil for Homeless and At-Risk-Children. The

goal of the vigil was to heighten awareness to the plight of homeless and at-risk-children. Student coordinator for the event, Christopher Balcer '99, worked with a team of SJC students to create a program which exemplified the concepts of Christian Humanism studied in the Core Program.

- A class project turned into a major awareness observance for students in Maureen Minelli's Rhetorical and Political Communications class. Challenged with the task of presenting a persuasive argument, the class decided to hold an awareness day focused on the challenges of being disabled. Utilizing several activities, the class heightened awareness for those living with physical disabilities.
- The SJC student chapter of "Bread for the World" sacrificed dining privileges on "World Hunger Day" and donated the money to the national organization. "Bread for the World" is a political awareness group dedicated to fighting world hunger. Campus Ministry established a giving tree in the chapel. The names of items needed by Birthright and the Crisis Center were placed on the tree as

ornaments. These products were purchased by good Samaritans and returned to the tree for further distribution.

- The Gallagher Charitable Society again hosted a Christmas party for children in need of holiday cheer. The society raises money throughout the year to host the party and furnish the children with gifts.
- Elizabeth Dillon '99 continued to offer "Foster Family Fun Day." This is an ongoing project that she established to give foster children something special to anticipate and foster parents a much deserved break. She has recruited a group of student volunteers and coordinated several Saturdays of fun activities each month. Lisa has been honored for this effort by the Indiana Conference Compact. Compact is an organization composed of 63 campuses representing a majority of Indiana's state-supported and independent institutions of higher education. Its mission is to provide and promote public service opportunities for college students.

North Central Indiana Rural Crisis Center

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Dear President Shannon,

I am writing to bring to your attention the good deeds that a number of Saint Joseph College Students have done for the Crisis Center this year. We feel that good deeds are far to often overlooked and felt the need to acknowledge the students.

Recently, we received a telephone call from Marcus Jackson for Minority Student Union. He called to inform us that they had once again prepared Thanksgiving Food baskets for our shelter to distribute to those in need. This is the second year in a row that MSU has provided us with baskets and each year we become more grateful for their support and generosity. Among those who accompanied Marcus to the shelter to deliver the baskets were, Lori Bolden, Bree Ma'Ayeh, Gerren Jackson, Elbert Henderson Jr., Meesha Pannu, David Banks and Dan Adams. It is indescribable the reaction that we get from those who receive the baskets. Many of the families that receive these baskets would have not be able to have a Thanksgiving dinner if it weren't for the generosity of the SJC Students.

Not only do the SJC students provide us with donations, they also volunteer their time to help us in other areas also. This year we have gotten such a phenomenal interest in our Big Buddie program. This program was set forth in order to provide a positive role model for not only children within the shelter but also at risk children within the community. We currently have four active Big Buddies which include Dan Adams, James Salvatore, Shannon Kline and Timothy Clark. In addition to these four students, we have received requests for applications from approximately 20 others who are also interested in becoming a Big Buddie.

The Crisis Center appreciates all the support and help that SJC has given to us. We hope that by bringing to attention the positive little things that the college students do, will help more people realize what an asset Saint Joseph College is to the community. The entire staff of the Crisis Center Thanks you and the SJC community.

Deepest Thanks,

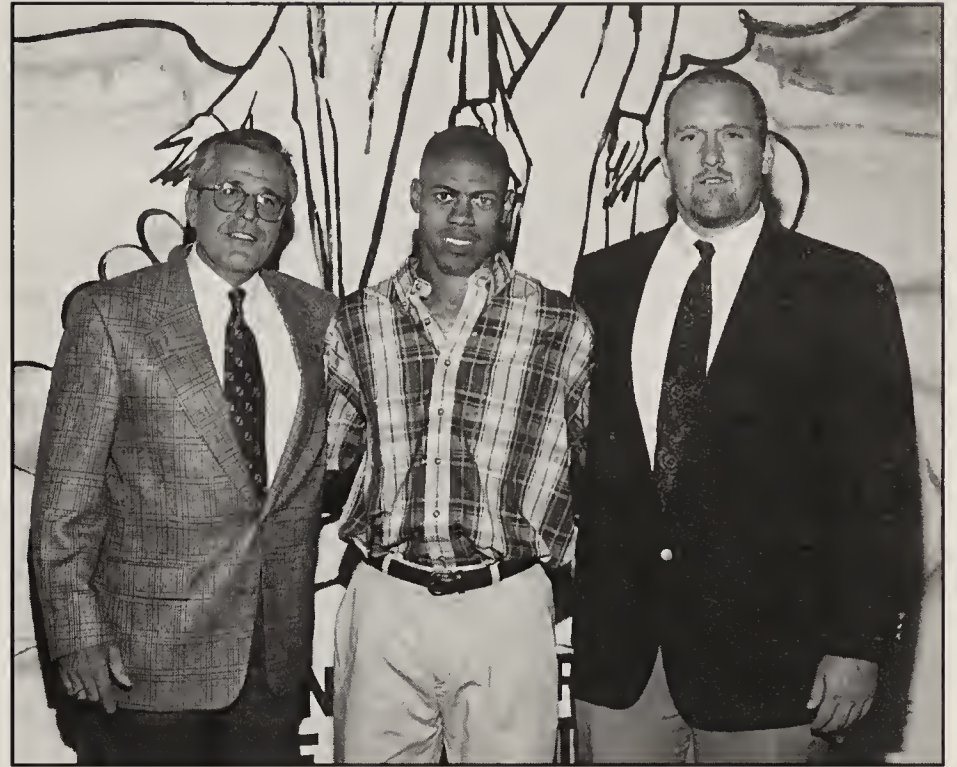
Joyce S. Polen

Joyce Polen
Child Advocate
Big Buddie Facilitator

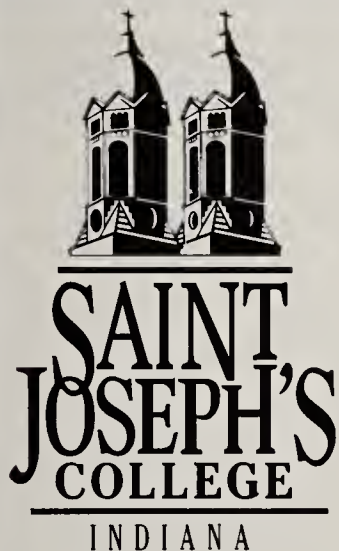
Home for SJC Holiday: Homecoming 1998

Homecoming '98 was celebrated in grand style on October 2, 3 & 4. Despite Saturday's rain, spirits were not dampened. Honor classes included 1938-48, 1953, 1958, 1963, 1968, 1973, 1978, 1983, 1988, 1993.

Two new events were introduced to the schedule this year. The first was the "Legacy Launch," an Admissions/Alumni program for alumni who are parents of prospective



Larry Smith '99 (center) was presented the Rudy Volz MVP Award by Tom Kuhar '64 (left), president of the Alumni Association. Also pictured is Tom Riva, head football coach for the Pumas.



What do our students say about Saint Joseph's College?

"I'm getting a personalized education at Saint Joseph's. I'm learning pre-med from somebody who is actually a doctor. Besides that, all of my professors are very accessible and they are willing to help me juggle everything from classes and homework to athletics and activities."

Carrie Edgell '99
Rock Hill, South Carolina

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college-age students. Its purpose was to inform/update alumni on the value of today's SJC degree.

The second program was sponsored by The Career Center and the Alumni Association and appropriately named "The Breakfast Club." Alumni had an opportunity to visit with former professors, meet new SJC faculty, and share information about their many successes in the work world.

Saturday evening was highlighted by the annual Alumni Banquet held in the Halleck Student Center Ballroom. Following the dinner, awards were presented by the Alumni Association. SJC quarterback Larry Smith '99 was recognized as the winner

of the Rudy Volz Memorial MVP Award for his outstanding performance during the homecoming football game where the Pumas handily defeated the Quincy University Hawks.

Alumni Achievement Awards were presented to **Joseph Dulin '57** and **Walter "Wally" Moore '50**. Dulin is a 39-year veteran of public and private schools and the founding president of the National Black Catholic Movement. He was also the first African American lay principal of a Catholic school in this nation. He is currently the principal of the Roberto Clemente Student Development Center in Ann Arbor, Michigan. Dulin has been at the helm of Clemente for more than 23 years. He has also established National African American Parent Involvement Day (NAAPID). Dulin was also chosen as the 1998 recipi-

ent of the Meiring Alumni Teaching Excellence Award. The College gives this award to an active teaching graduate whose contributions to classroom teaching and professional activities have exemplified a mark of excellence.

Walter Moore spent nine seasons coaching football for the University of Notre Dame. He served for three years as the head freshman coach and then was promoted to the offensive line coach for the varsity team. During Moore's varsity coaching years (1969-74), the Irish participated in two Cotton Bowls, two Orange Bowls, one Sugar Bowl, and was the National Champion in 1973. After leaving Notre Dame, Moore joined Indiana University as the offensive line coach and later spent two years as the Hoosiers' associate athletic director. He was also a scout for the Denver

Broncos from 1980-91. He currently represents Ara Paseghian Enterprises, a company that offers credit life and disability insurance.

The 1998 Alumni Service Awards were presented to Reverend **William Stang, C.P.P.S. '72** and **Irving Valente '58**. Father Stang has served and continues to serve Saint Joseph's in his roles as educator, volunteer, and member of the Society of the Precious Blood. After graduating from SJC, Father Stang earned his Master of Divinity, Master of Biology, and Medical Degrees. He has served the College as a faculty member in the science division since 1977. He coached the soccer club and helped to establish it as a varsity sport. He has offered spiritual guidance and comfort as the Chaplain for the College, and advised the president as the assistant to the president for mission awareness. He continues to counsel the Gallagher Charitable Society as the faculty sponsor. In addition to his many responsibilities on campus, he also holds the rank of major in the National Guard.

Irving Valente has given countless hours of service to the Alumni Association's Board of Directors. For 13 years he has held various offices including the presidency. He has also served as vice



Joe Dulin '57 (holding plaque) was presented the Alumni Achievement Award by Tom Kuhar '64 (right of Dulin). Dulin and his wife, Yvonne (to Joe's left), were joined by close friends for this occasion.

president for academics, recruitment and placement, alumni relations, and campus relations. He is currently the judiciary committee chairperson. He is an employee of WW Grainger after leaving Navistar International

where he worked for 32 years.

Special recognition for past service on the Alumni Board of Directors was given to **James Buckley '48** for 15 years and **Kevin Sims '79** for 6 years of service.



Father William Stang, C.P.P.S., '72 was a recipient of the Alumni Service Award.



Wally Moore '50 (holding plaque) was presented the Alumni Achievement Award by Tom Kuhar '64 (left), president of the Alumni Association. Moore's wife, Margaret, accompanied him for the festivities.



The Class of 1973 celebrated their twenty-fifth anniversary.



James Buckley '48 (left) is honored for over 15 years of service to the SJC Alumni Association.



*A golden year for The Class of 1948 and their wives. **James Buckley** and **Gene Ryan** (front row L-R), along with **David Terveer** and **Richard Chmeleck** (back row L-R) celebrated their fiftieth.*

Homecoming 1999: September 17-18-19

Make your plans now to attend Homecoming 1999 on September 17, 18 & 19. Honor classes will include: 1939, 1944, 1949, 1954, 1959, 1964, 1969, 1974, 1979, 1984, 1989 and 1994.

Get involved with the planning for your class reunion. It's a great way to get in touch with Puma Friends. For more information on how you can help, contact Maureen "Mo" Egan '90 at (219) 866-6123 or e-mail her at mo@saintjoe.edu.

Five Elected to Sports Hall of Fame

Five new members were inducted into the Saint Joseph's College Sports Hall of Fame. New inductees included **Kelly Kerber-Kissinger '87**, **Lawrence Olewinski '77**, **Dave Smith '86**, **John W. Stitz '87**, and **Arthur Voellinger '63**.

Kerber-Kessinger was inducted for her performance on the volleyball court and for her efforts in track and field. She was a three-year member of the Puma volleyball team and served as captain and a second team member of the All Great Lakes Valley Conference team. She was also a four-year member and captain of the track team. She holds the school record in the 200 and 400 meter dashes and was the 1987 Little State Senior and Athlete of the Year.



*Elected to the SJC Sports Hall of Fame were (L-R) **John Stitz '87**, **Arthur Voellinger '63**, **Lawrence Olewinski '77**, **Dave Smith '86**, and **Kelly Kerber-Kessinger '87**.*

Kerber-Kessinger is a mathematics teacher at Glenbard East High School where she coaches basketball and the mathematics teams. She is married to **Larry Kissinger '87** and they reside, with their two children, in Lombard, Illinois.

Olewinski was inducted for his outstanding performance on the football field. He played football for Coach Bill Jennings from 1973-76 and is the all-time leading receiver with 2072 yards yielded from 120 receptions. Olewinski is also tied with **David Bormann '82** for fifth place in touchdowns received with nine.

Olewinski is married to **Doreen (Conroy) '78** and has three daughters. The family resides in Burr Ridge, Illinois. He is the sales director for New York Life Benefit Services, Inc., in Chicago.

Smith was honored for his coaching accomplishments in basketball, cross-country, and track and field. He was the head women's basketball coach from 1976-78 and 1984-1990. He holds the distinction of being the winningest basketball coach in the history of the College. He established a win-loss record of 166-46 while at the helm of the women's basketball program. While coaching the Lady Pumas, Smith was twice named GLVC Coach of the Year and twice named Regional Coach of the Year. His teams were three-time

conference champions and two-time regional champions.

Smith coached the women's track team to five Little State Championships while compiling a 104-0 record. From 1984 to 1989, he was named Indiana Intercollegiate College Division II Track and Field Coach of the Year. For his efforts in coaching cross-country, he was named the 1982 NCAA Division II Great Lakes Regional Women's Coach of the Year.

After leaving Saint Joseph's, Smith was the head women's basketball coach of Shippensburg University where his team went to the elite eight twice finishing as the runner-up at the 1995 NCAA Division II National Championship. He was recently named the head women's basketball coach at Bellarmine College. With over 310 basketball victories spanning over a 15 year coaching career he places third in the nation among all NCAA head coaches with 15 years or less experience.

Stitz was inducted for his dual athletic career in basketball and baseball. He was a four-year member of the SJC basketball team. He finished his career shooting 56% from the field and 71% from the charity stripe for a total of 1204 career points. He played baseball from 1985-87 and was All-Conference in 1985, '86, and '87. He scored 76 runs, hit 19 home runs,

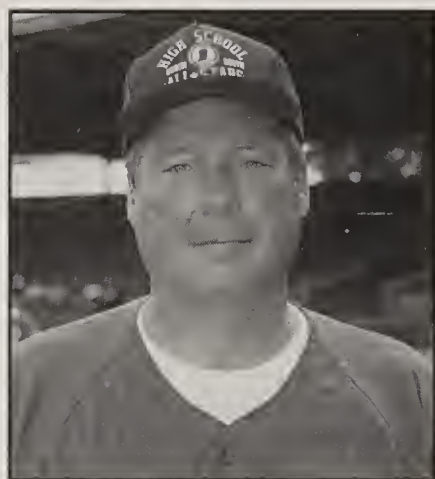
and had 19 stolen bases. He had 147 hits in 372 times at bat for an average of .395. His fielding percentage was .954. He was drafted in the seventeenth round of the Amateur baseball draft by the Cleveland Indians.

Stitz and his wife, **Patricia (Szucs) '88**, have two children and reside in Granger, Indiana. He is the National Sales Director for Summit Group in Mishawaka.

The Veteran's Committee inducted Art Voellinger for his dual athletic accomplishments in basketball and baseball. In baseball, he had the most wins (7) in a varsity season, a record that stood until the expansion of the baseball schedule. As a junior, he pitched 61 1/3 innings, struck out 55 batters, walked only 25, allowed 51 hits, and posted a 2.84 earned run average. Art's achievements include gaining two victories in a doubleheader sweep of Ball State University. In basketball he led the Pumas in rebounding in his junior and senior years while being named team captain and most valuable player. He also was the "J-Man of the Year" (Athlete of the year) in 1963.

Professionally, Voellinger has taught English, coached several sports, and advised numerous student organizations at O'Fallon Township High School in O'Fallon, Illinois. Additionally, he has served as a correspon-

dent/editor for the *News-Democrat*, *The Sporting News*, *The Saint Louis Post Dispatch*, and *Journal Publications of Southern Illinois*. Art was also an Associate Baseball Scout for the Chicago Cubs (1976-82) and is currently scouting for the Saint Louis Cardinals (1982-Present).



Dennis Stitz '76 coaches to state title.

Stitz Coaches to State Title

SJC graduate, **Dennis Stitz '76**, has coached his Tri-County Cavaliers to win the 1998 Indiana Class A State Baseball Championship. His team defeated Barr-Reeve High School 3-0 at Victory field in Indianapolis, Indiana. The Cavaliers finished the 1998 season with a 30-3 overall record and won the last 22 games of the season. This is the first state championship to be brought home to Tri-County High School. Stitz was inducted into the SJC Sports Hall of Fame in 1995 for his efforts on the baseball diamond.

Chapman Led Carolina League

Jake Chapman '96 finished his second season pitching for the Wilmington Blue Rocks. Wilmington is a single A affiliate of the Kansas City Royals and is located in Wilmington, Delaware. Chapman led the team, as

well as the Carolina league, with 13 victories. Chapman also finished fourth on the team with a 3.27 earned run average, second in innings pitched (162 1/3), and third in strikeouts (113).

Chapman recently had the opportunity to meet baseball idol, Cal Ripken Jr., when he appeared in a commercial with the third baseman for the Baltimore Orioles. The commercial is an advertisement for Chevrolet and was filmed at Veterans Stadium in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, home of the Philadelphia Phillies. The commercial will be aired regionally throughout the United States.



Phonathon

Mark your calendar for Sunday, March 21 - Thursday, March 25. This is the week of the annual Phonathon and students will be calling.

Think of your alma mater at this time of year, and mail your contribution to: Saint Joseph's College, Box 870, Rensselaer, IN 47978.

High-Tech...High-Fashion

Now you can order exclusive SJC clothing through the SJC homepage at <http://www.saintjoe.edu>. A portion of all proceeds will go to your Alumni Association. A few items are displayed on the site and many more are included in the catalog that you may request. Special thanks to **Thomas Kelley '87** of Saint Andrew's Products and **Douglas Monforton '71** for making this possible.

First Puma 100/Alumni Association Golf & Card Outing

The Puma 100 gang has been doing their golf outing for a long time, but this year they were joined by the Rensselaer Area Alumni Chapter for a day of fun at the Curtis Creek Country Club. Fifty-six golfers took to the course, while card players tested their "hands" in Bridge and Euchre.

Taking home first place team golfing honors were **Eric Mills '92**, **John Baumann '61**, Bob Cauble, and Kent Mahnesmith. Ruth Kanne was the highest point recipient amongst the card players.

Over 100 people

enjoyed an evening cook-out and presentations by Marty Smith, SJC athletic director; Dave Balza, men's basketball coach; and Lynn Plett, women's basketball coach.

Lourdes Grotto Celebrates 100th Birthday

The Lourdes Grotto celebrated its one hundredth birthday on December 8 with a rededication ceremony.

The Grotto is patterned after the original shrine which is located in Lourdes, France. At the original shrine, the Virgin Mary appeared to 14-year-old Saint Bernadette Soubirous in 1858.

Saint Joseph's Grotto spans 254 feet in length and reaches 22 feet at its highest point. The Grotto has been created and expanded through the years as a labor of love. Faustin Bernard Ersing, a Precious Blood seminarian, inspired and directed the construction in the summer of 1898.

In 1930-31, the Grotto was expanded to its current size under the direction of Father Albin Scheidler, C.P.P.S., who, with the assistance of seminarians, hauled in more than 1200 tons of stone to complete the expansion. The main feature added at that time was an interior chapel cave reminiscent of the catacombs. A Carrara marble statue of Christ in

Gethsemane was placed in the sanctuary.

In 1951, the stations of the cross together with the large boulder and a bronze plaque containing Saint Bernard's "memo-rare" were erected in memory of the parents of Father John Baechle C.P.P.S.

For one hundred years, the Grotto has served as a place to pray, reflect, seek comfort, and gain inspiration. It has stood as a symbol of the College's Catholic roots and offered many students comfort as they pursued an education.

Happy birthday old friend, may you see many returns.

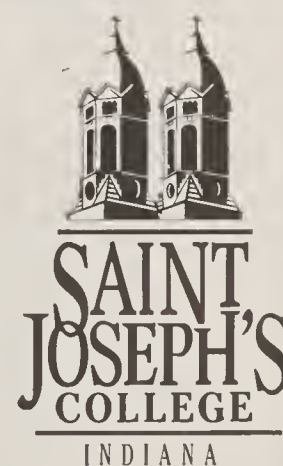


The Lourdes Grotto.

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Laura Witek '97
Marengo, Illinois



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Inge Erickson Retires.

Institutional Advancement Changes Leadership

At the end of September, and after 16 years of service as the director of Development and assistant vice president and vice president for Institutional Advancement and Marketing, Inge Erickson retired from Saint Joseph's College.

During her tenure at SJC, development activities have grown to include the Fellows Program, Twin Towers, Father Banet Clubs, the President's Circle, the Century Club, and the Coffee Cup Club. She has participated in two successful major and two mini capital campaigns and has seen gift income and donor participation increase dramatically through the years.

According to President Albert Shannon, "Inge will

be missed. She has made a tremendous contribution to the welfare of the College. Along the way, she has forged many friendships, and I know you will join with me in wishing her a happy and healthy retirement. She is, and will always be, a friend of Saint Joseph's College."

"Working for Saint Joseph's has been a wonderful experience," stated Erickson. "Devoted alumni and loyal friends support the College to sacrificial levels. It has made the job of raising money very rewarding."

Kerry P. McClanahan has taken over the responsibilities of vice president for Institutional Advancement and Marketing. Mr. McClanahan comes to the College with 27 years of experience in fund-raising for higher education and not-for-profit organizations. He has served in alumni and development positions at Purdue University and the University of Chicago, as well as serving in a consulting capacity with Tulane University and the University of Pennsylvania. For the past seven years he has been an independent consultant working with health care, higher education, arts and cultural, and civic and human service organizations.

President Shannon remarked, "We are fortunate to have attracted Mr. McClanahan to our administrative team. He

brings a wealth of experience and talent to the College and will be a great asset in leading the fund raising efforts.

"After being away from higher education for several years, I am pleased to return to a mission oriented institution like Saint Joseph's," stated

McClanahan. "Alumni, parents and friends already know what a very special place Saint Joseph's College truly is. One of my most important jobs will be to spread the word to others. I am looking forward to working with faculty, alumni, the Board of Trustees, and College friends to ensure a strong future for the College."

The retirement of Inge also resulted in a realignment of positions in the Institutional Advancement and Marketing Office.

Maureen Egan '90 will now have responsibilities for alumni and parent relations and The College Fund. She will be dividing her time and talents between the two offices. John Milentis will now have full responsibility for managing major gift solicitation. The changes in duties and responsibilities resulted in a change of job titles for both Egan and Milentis. They are now assistant vice presidents.

Your Will Is A Priceless Privilege

Many people spend a lifetime accumulating an estate. Then, the majority leave the important matter of final distribution to state law. In fact, 70% of adults die intestate—without a valid will. The reasons are many and various, but the results can be devastating.

An intestate estate is settled according to state law which may have nothing in common with your wishes. This may increase settlement costs considerably and cause endless delay.

The most important benefit of creating a valid will is the opportunity to specify how you wish your assets to be distributed. In planning for minor children, a will allows you to name a guardian and entrust that guardian with the power to act in the best interest of the child. In the absence of a will, the state will appoint a guardian who must seek approval of the probate court with regard to nearly every action involving the child's property.

Establishing a will enables you to name an executor who will collect, manage, and distribute your estate's assets according to your desires. In the absence of a will, the state will appoint an executor which may

result in delays and even losses to the estate.

Having a will allows you to provide for numerous tax savings arrangements which may enhance the value of the estate to your heirs by thousands of dollars in estate tax savings.

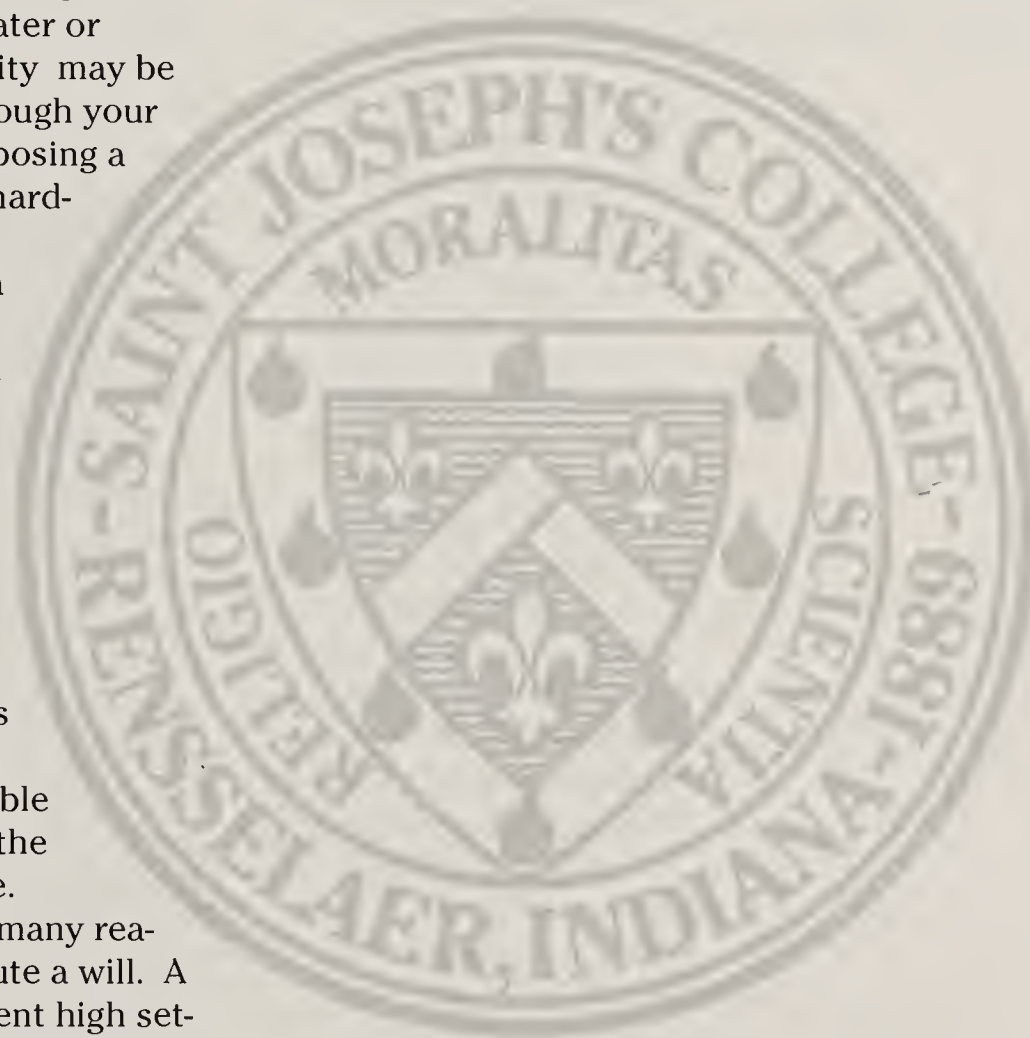
Contingencies such as simultaneous death may be anticipated with a will and thereby you may prevent a reduction of the estate through increased death taxes.

Charitable bequests to your alma mater or favorite charity may be arranged through your will without posing a substantive hardship to your heirs. Such a bequest may be expressed in terms of a percentage of the residuary estate which, more than a determined lump sum, protects beneficiaries against possible shrinkage in the estate's value.

There are many reasons to execute a will. A will can prevent high settlement costs, relieve stress for loved ones, prevent delays in settlement, and decrease the risk of higher death tax penalties. It is difficult to understand why the reluctance to establish a will is so universal. It may be procrastination, or the fear of tempting fate, or even insecurity

about how to go about the process. As to the latter, a qualified attorney is essential.

For more information, please write to K.P. McClanahan, vice president for Institutional Advancement, Saint Joseph's College, P.O. Box 870, Rensselaer, Indiana 47978 or call (219) 866-6175.





Roberto Martinez '00 (upper left) and Lucas Brunette '01 sign autographs for fans at the College World Series.

Baseball Advanced to 1998 Nationals

The men's baseball team, under the guidance of Head Coach Mike Moyzis, advanced to the NCAA Division II National Championship Tournament for the second time in three years as they finished the 1998 season with a 39-19 record.

While winning the GLVC North Division in the regular season, five Pumas were named All-GLVC. First team members include Jason Becker '99, Michael Field '01, and Jake Zajc '99, and second team members include William Draper '99 and Todd Neal '99.

SJC captured the North Central Regional by defeating Southern Illinois Edwardsville 7-4 in the championship game. Thomas Gandolph '99

was the victorious pitcher for the Pumas.

Catcher/designated hitter Gabriel Damato '99 was named the Most Outstanding Player of the tournament. Lucas Brunette '01, Gabriel Damato '99, David Drzonek '99, Thomas Gandolph '99, Todd Neal '99, and Jason Retzlaff '99 were selected to the All-North Central Regional Team.

At the first game of the double elimination Division II College World Series, the Pumas lost 6-0 to Millersville (PA) University. The team then rebounded in the second game by eliminating New Haven (CT) University 15-3. The squad was ultimately eliminated by West Georgia University 8-7 in the quarter finals. Going into the ninth inning, the Pumas were down 8-3. In an exciting final inning, the Pumas scored four runs but left the tying run on third base. SJC ended the season ranking seventh in the national polls. Junior outfielder Todd Neal '99 was named to the All-College World Series Tournament Team.

Head coach Mike Moyzis was selected as the ABCA/Diamond Sports Company Division II North Central Region Coach of the Year by the American Baseball Coaches Association. This is the second time in three years that Coach Moyzis has been given this award.

Fall Sports Shorts

The **women's soccer** team, coached by **Mike Minielli '86**, finished the 1998 season with a 16-2-2 overall record and were ranked as one of the top twenty-five teams in the nation. This was the first time, in three seasons, that the Pumas did not receive a bid to the NCAA Division II Tournament and were not Great Lakes Valley Conference Champions. Forward Mary Reid '00 was named First Team All-GLVC while goalkeeper Mary Zurek '99 and midfielder Julie Recker '00 were named Second Team All-GLVC. SJC lost to the University of Southern Indiana in the semi-finals of the GLVC Tournament.

Men's soccer finished the season with a 4-13-1 overall and a 1-10 conference record. One highlight of the season was when the Pumas defeated NCAA tournament bound Quincy University 1-0. The Pumas were led by goalkeeper Nikolas Balta's '00 average of 2.74 goals against average per game.

For the first time in nine years, the **volleyball** team advanced to the Great Lakes Valley Conference Tournament. At the tournament, they lost to Northern Kentucky who advanced to the NCAA Division II final eight. The Pumas, under the direction of head coach Kevin Furnish, ended the season with a

11-19 overall record.

Coach John Barrientos and the **women's tennis** team finished the 1998 campaign with a 12-3 overall and a 8-2 conference record. Coach Barrientos is now 209-68 in his nineteen years as the women's tennis coach. The team captured second place in the GLVC, losing 5-0 to Northern Kentucky University in the GLVC championship match. Jennifer Silva '99 was named All-GLVC for the second year in a row.

Women's cross-country finished the regular season with a 26-33 overall record.

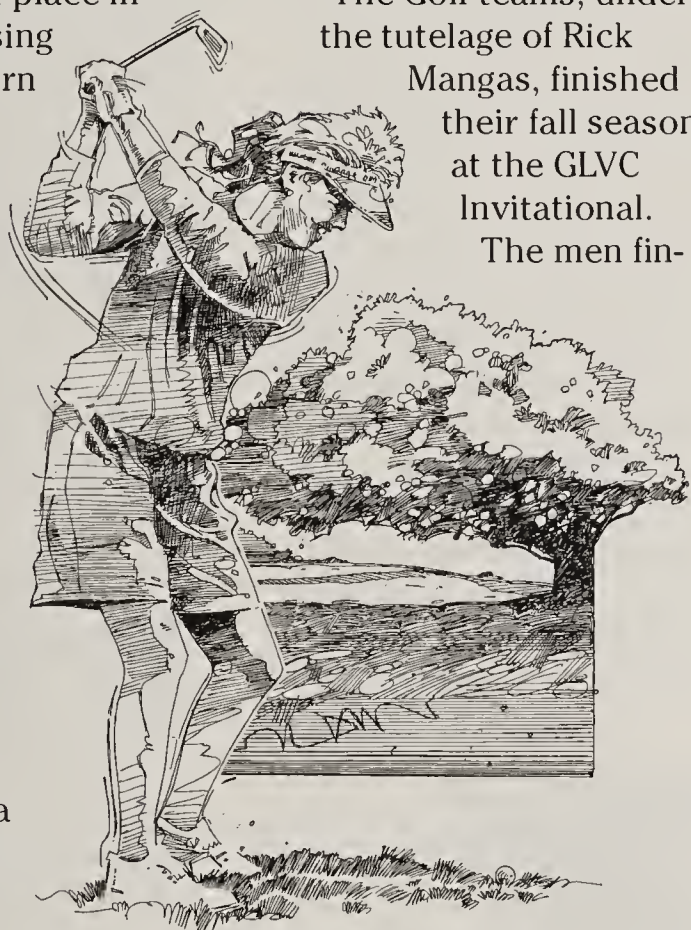
Their best finish was at the University of Southern Indiana Classic, where they placed fourth. The team, under the direction of head coach **Bill Massoels '89**, finished in seventh place at the GLVC Invitational. Individually, Teresa Gaura '02 and Shana Wyatt '02 were strong competitors placing seventh and eleventh, respectively, at the Taylor Competition.

The men's cross-country team, also coached by **Bill Massoels '89**, finished the season with a 39-23 record. This is the best

record that Massoels has posted in his tenure. They also finished in seventh place at the Little State Invitational. The team experienced its best finishes at the University of Southern Indiana and at the Indiana Wesleyan University Invitationals where they placed second.

The Golf teams, under the tutelage of Rick Mangas, finished their fall season at the GLVC Invitational.

The men fin-



ished in ninth place, and the women finished fifth. Individually, George Flick '99 placed sixth in the men's event narrowly missing the recognition of being named to the All-GLVC Team. The ladies highest meet placing was at their own invitational, where they captured third place. Marsha Janjecic '99 led the way with an individual third place finish.

Reid and Hall Named All-Americans

Soccer forward Mary Reid '00 was named a First Team All-American. This is the second time that this Belfast, Northern Ireland, native has received this honor. She was also named an All-American in 1996. Reid has scored a total of 135 points in her three-year collegiate career. She has scored 51 goals and dished out 33 assists. This firmly places her in the record book as scoring more goals and making more assists than any athlete in the history of SJC men's or women's soccer.

Track Star **Bryan Hall '98** was also named an All-American at the 1998 NCAA Division II National Outdoor Track and Field Championships where he finished eighth in the hammer throw. Hall, a resident of Columbia City, Indiana, also earned All-American honors in 1997 in the shot put.

Football Scores Successful Season

SJC's football team finished the 1998 season with a 7-4 overall record, winning six of their seven final games, and were undefeated at home. One highlight of the season was playing long time rival Valparaiso University. This is the first time that Saint Joseph's has played Valparaiso since 1992. SJC defeated the Crusaders to take the lead in the all-time series 27-26-2.

SJC had a thrilling conclusion to the season when they played Wayne State. The Pumas came from behind to win 41-39. It took four overtimes to

decide the victor in this game. SJC was down 23-9 in the fourth quarter and scored 14 unanswered points to tie the game. The Pumas finally prevailed in the fourth overtime as Desmond Fletcher '01 scored on a 13 yard scamper, and Larry Smith '99 converted a run for the two-point conversion.

This was the second winning season, in the last three years, with the Pumas compiling a 21-12 record. Quarterback Larry

Smith '99 finished his career with 2309 rushing yards, 26 rushing touchdowns, and 194 points. He is the third all-time leader in rushing yards and the third highest touchdown scorer in the history of Puma football. He is tied for second, with **Rory Johnson '88**, for rushing touchdowns.

Place-kicker Erich Hitzeman '00 will more than likely break **Jimmy Allen's '91** record next season to become SJC's

all-time leading scorer. He only needs 18 points to pass Allen's record of 226 points. For his efforts, Hitzeman was named to the Daktronics, Inc. All-Northeast Region Second Team.

The SJC defense led all NCAA Division I-A, I-AA, and II schools in pass interceptions with a total of 27.

Hot, Hot Hot for Puma Sports

The Sports Information Department now has a telephone hotline. At 219-866-6000, extension 4786, you will receive a message that will have updated scores from each day's events and what is coming up in Puma sports.

Stay in touch with Puma athletics by calling the hotline or visit us on the world wide web at www.saintjoe.edu.

Puma Football in National Statistics

(Division II)

Erich Hitzeman '00	7th in Field Goals/Game	1.18 FG made/game
David Shabazz '00	2nd in Kickoff Returns	32.6 yards/game
Larry Smith '98	20th in Scoring	9.6 points/game
Brian Stultz '00	15th in Interceptions	0.6 ints/game
Rushing Offense	10th in Nation	270.1 yards/game
Turnover Margin	9th in Nation	+1.27



SJC football team runs away with winning season.



Class Notes

Robert Roth '46, served 40 years with Hershberger, Patterson, Jones & Roth. He has become a partner in Morrison & Hecker, a firm of 150 lawyers. He and his wife, Lucy, have been married 46 years and have seven grandchildren.

Kenneth Platt '49, recently had his 1500th item published in the Catholic Press.

Nick Yengich '57, recently sold his wine business of over 30 years and retired. He still continues to do some wine consulting along with traveling to different wine regions across the United States and Europe.

Norman E. VanMaldegiam '60, celebrated his 30-year anniversary in retainer executive search consulting. He has owned his own business since 1979 which is recognized as one of the top 50 retainer firms (over 2500 firms nationally) by Executive Recruiter News. He attained his professional certificate as CMC in June of this year. Norman was elected to the 1998 Chicago Area Board of Directors for the Institute of Management

Consultants, and he is a volunteer sponsor of CFO Networking Group of Metro Chicago. He resides in Bloomingdale, Illinois, and has four grandsons.

Thomas Budnick '62, retired in August. He invites all his friends and classmates to stop in for an O.J. at Pine Lake Country Club in Fort Myers, Florida, or Shanty Creek Schuss Village in Bellaire, Michigan.

John Lulewicz '62, was recently named Regional Sales Manager for Scios, Inc., in Richton Park, Illinois.

James '64 and JoAnn Heimann '78, reside in Decatur, Indiana, with their five children. James is a Judge in Decatur, and JoAnn is on the Arts Council and volunteers one day a week at the high school. She also takes communion to shut-ins and coordinates children's events.



John J. Pikarski '64

John J. Pikarski, Jr. '64, has been nominated to the Overseas Private Investment Corporation (OPIC) by President

Clinton. Pikarski, a Chicago land use attorney for over twenty-five years, is a principal partner in the firm of Gordon and Pikarski. He is a member of several bar associations and has been admitted to practice before the 7th Circuit U.S. Court of Appeals, the Supreme Court of Illinois, and the United States Supreme Court. The OPIC assists U.S. investors in making profitable investments in developing and establishing countries.

Samuel H. Rankin, Ph.D. '64, recently retired from being president of Chadron State College. After a sabbatical, Samuel will return to Chadron and serve as a professor of history and a college trustee.

Jack Haplin '65, of Corporate Insurance, now markets legal insurance. Haplin, who has been in the insurance industry for more than 30 years, now sells Oklahoma-based Pre-paid Legal Services, which is a public company traded on the American Stock Exchange. For a monthly premium, the insured will receive access to a range of legal services covered by the policy. Haplin lives in Mount Prospect, Illinois, and coaches golf at Saint Viator High School in Arlington Heights.

Bernard Hengesbaugh '68, was recently appointed executive vice president and chief operating officer for the Chicago-

based insurance organization CNA. He will have responsibility for the overall operating performance of the company's eight operating departments and 30 strategic business units.

Terrence Dariotis '69, is the president of Warfel, Goldberg, Dariotis & Waldoch, P.A. located in Tallahassee, Florida. He and his wife, Jeanne, reside in Tallahassee.

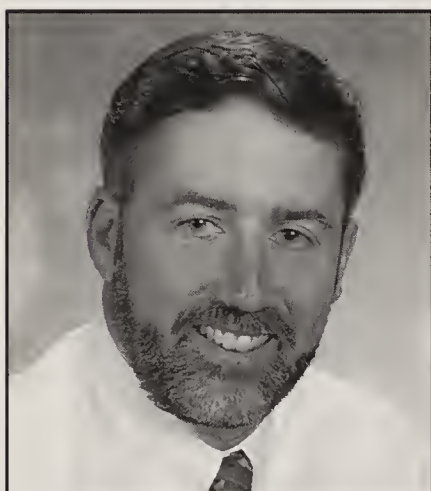
Bob Neville '71, has been named senior account executive at Concepts Marketing Group in Indianapolis, Indiana.

Ronald L. Golumbeck '72, has been appointed vice president of human resources for The Stroh Brewery Company. Previously, Ronald was senior director of industrial relations. He began his career in the brewing industry in 1973 as a staffing and development representative with the Schlitz Container Division. He also served as human resource manager at Stroh's facilities in Tampa, Florida; Longview, Texas; and Lehigh Valley, Pennsylvania.

Mary Ori-Chernoski '73, is a teacher at Emily C. Reynolds Middle School. She recently received the Teacher of the Year Award for the 1997-98 academic year. She was awarded a grant from the Hamilton Educational Foundation for her proposal entitled "Fabric of our Society".

Fred Mariani '74, was named the head football coach at Iona College. Prior to this position, he was an assistant coach at Fordham University.

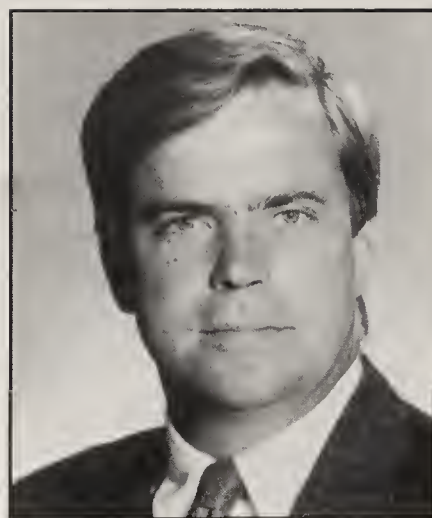
Bill Reagan '74, is currently the gridiron offensive coordinator at Ashland University in Ashland, Ohio. His team won the conference championship this year and proceeded to the playoffs.



John M. Flach, Ph.D. '75

John M. Flach, Ph.D. '75, has recently been named professor of psychology at Wright State University. He earned his master's degree in psychology from the University of Dayton and his doctorate in human experimental psychology from Ohio State University.

Michael Hall '75, a partner and twenty-year veteran of Grant Thornton, LLP was recently promoted to partner-in-charge of manufacturing. Michael will be overseeing the manufacturing practice at the Chicago office which represents over 70% of the



Michael C. Hall '75

office's business volume. The practice serves manufacturers and distributors with full-service assurance, tax, and consulting services.

Paul Karkula '77, and his wife, Elizabeth, were the first husband and wife to run in the same election for circuit court judge positions. Paul is an attorney with Ed Vrdolyak's firm and is currently on "special assignment" with the town of Cicero. His life's goal is to become a judge.

Patrick Kane '78, has recently accepted a position as director of marketing communications for Conemaugh Health System. Conemaugh Health System operates four hospitals, an advanced rehabilitation center, and various physician groups. Patrick's responsibilities will include marketing, advertising, and public relations.

Jim Finnerty '81, recently became a registered representative for State Farm VP Management Corp. Jim

has been an agent with State Farm Insurance since 1989, and his office is located in Berwyn, Illinois. Jim and his wife, Terry, reside with their daughter, Elizabeth, in Western Springs.

William A. Hollerman, Ph.D. '81, has recently started a new position as a research assistant professor of physics at the University of Southwestern Louisiana in Lafayette, Louisiana. Dr. Hollerman is working to measure heavy metal concentrations in tree ring samples using a variety of atomic and nuclear ion microbeam techniques. This research has the potential to provide an estimate of pollution concentrations at a site before hazardous materials were introduced into the area.

Mike Holaday '83, a 10-year veteran of Artistic Media partners and a 19-year veteran of the radio industry, was named Sales Manager for WAZY-FM in Lafayette, Indiana.

Gerard Benner '84, has accepted a new position as partner/CPA with Huth & Company LLC., in Lafayette, Indiana. He and his wife, Catherine, reside in West Lafayette, Indiana.

Kevin '84 and Colleen (Brennan) Link '84, have moved to Indianapolis where Kevin was recently transferred by Safeco Insurance. Kevin is the commercial property product manager for the subsidiary company

American States Business Insurance.

Joseph Schipsi '84, is the president of Joseph J. Schipsi, Inc., located in Cherry Hill, New Jersey. Joe and his wife, Diane, reside in Cherry Hill with their new son, Joseph John Schipsi, III., born on 11/01/97.

Daniel Hoyng '85, has recently assumed the duties of president of National Boston Medical, Inc., located in Taunton, Massachusetts. Daniel and his wife, Cecila, have two children, Sarah and Adam.

Bridget Jankowski '85, is teaching privately in conjunction with the Western Reserve Suzuki School. She is very active in local, state, and national Suzuki Associations, as well as a number of other musical organizations. Bridget is also a newly certified Andover Educator and teaches a course titled "What Every Musician Needs to Know About the Body." This course is designed to use principles of the Alexander Technique to help musicians remain pain and injury free throughout their musical career.



Steven J. Sergi '85

Steven Sergi '85, owner of Realty Mart, a residential real estate company, recently opened his second Indianapolis, Indiana, office. Steve started as a sales associate with Realty Mart in 1987 and became Broker/Owner in June of 1995. With the addition of his second location, Steve plans to expand Realty Mart without sacrificing its philosophy of being "Your Neighborhood Realtor."

Eric Boos '86, has recently had a book published by Peter Lang Publishing titled *Perspectives In Jurisprudence: An Analysis Of H.L.A. Hart's Legal Theory*. Eric is also the philosophy department chairman at Viterbo College in La Crosse, Wisconsin. He and his wife, Karene, reside in De Soto with their new son, Zebadiah Paul, born on 12/08/97.

Bernadette Wilson '86, has recently been promoted to the position of distribution center manager

at the California location of Connor Corporation. Connor Corporation is an injection molding business with production facilities in Indianapolis; Mississippi; Fort Wayne, and Washington, DC. Before accepting this position, she was the traffic and human resource manager at the Indianapolis plant.

Elizabeth Daniel '87, has been promoted to western training manager for the administrative training area of MetLife Insurance. She has relocated to Aurora, Illinois.

Mark Gozdecki '87, has been appointed vice president of marketing for Symons International Group, Inc. Symons International Group, Inc., includes member companies such as Pafco General Insurance Company, located in Indianapolis, Indiana; and IGF Insurance Company located in Des Moines, Iowa.

David Council '88, was recently named the financial advisor for American Express Financial Advisors in Merrillville, Indiana.

Mike Bozek '89, recently accepted the position of vice president for finance and administration with Zulanas Distributors, Inc., in Denver, Colorado. Mike, his wife Rhonda, and his three children, relocated to Denver, Colorado.

John Mueller '89, is the network administrator for United Food and

Commercial Workers Local 881. He resides in Oak Park, Illinois.

Valerie Ogren '89, married a computer consultant and they reside in San Francisco, California. Valerie is the lead singer for the rock band "Bodhi Cat" and hopes to release a CD this year. She also sells art and is getting ready to publish a book of poetry.

Heidi Owens '90, is a physical therapist at Brandecker Easter Seals in Chicago, Illinois.

Jim Cooley '91, has been a volunteer with the Big Brother Big Sisters program for the last six years, both in Indianapolis and Lafayette, Indiana. Jim faced a particularly tough challenge with his current little brother, Eddie, who is a developmentally challenged little boy. Jim has introduced Eddie to many new experiences. It was apparent the two became very close when Jim asked Eddie to be the ring bearer for his wedding in 1996.

Margaret Burzynski-Bays '92, received her master of arts degree in history from John Carroll University in August 1996. She is currently employed as philanthropic archives specialist at Western Reserve Historical Society.

Jon Nowlin '93, is a senior claims representative for Allstate in Indianapolis, Indiana.

Emmy Kreilkamp '94, is a degree candidate for

a master's degree from Kent State University.

Gayle Rusbasan '94, received her master of arts degree in English (Applied Linguistics) from Indiana State University.

Lisa Curley '95, is the assistant commercial salesperson for Curley Masonry Supply in Chesterton, Indiana.

Chris '95 and Cheri (Bowsher) Irons '95, are franchise owners of Home Instead Senior Care in Zionsville, Indiana. Home Instead Senior Care is a non-medical service designed for people capable of managing their physical needs, but requiring limited assistance, light housework and/or companionship in order to remain at home.

Marissa Marhoul '95, has recently graduated from Loyola University with a master's degree in psychology.

Kristi (Messmaker) Sanders '95, was recently promoted to director of career planning and placement at Commonwealth Business College in Michigan City, Indiana.

Clint Swan '95, was named Boys Basketball Coach of the Year by the Post Tribune. He is a varsity coach at Andrean High School in Merrillville, Indiana.

Valerie Chuchman '96, has accepted a teaching position with Milwaukee Public Schools.

Michael Keiser '96, currently works for Conesco Services LLC.

Conseco is a large financial service provider located within metropolitan Indianapolis.

Rhonda (Hanley) Churchill '97, has accepted a teaching position in the business department of Rensselaer Central High School in Rensselaer, Indiana. She and her husband, Rob, reside in Lake Village.

Dan Gandolph '97, owns Gandolph Financial Services. He specializes in investments, insurance, and retirement planning.

Joshua Malloy '97, is a systems programmer for Allstate in North Brook, Illinois.

Marty Corley '98, has just accepted the position of probation officer with the Hammond City Courts in Hammond, Indiana.



Births

Megan Marie Edwards to **Mark '78** and Margie **Edwards**, 03/21/97.

Elizabeth Doyle Finnerty to **Jim '81** and Terry **Finnerty**, 02/13/98.

Eryk Walter Liszewski to Daniel Liszewski and **Marianna McSweeney '81**, 03/10/98.

Clare Doolin Kolacki to **James '84** and **Eileen (O'Brien) '86 Kolacki**, 12/27/97.

Olivia Clare Kotowski

to David and **Katherine (Leahy) Kotowski '84**, 12/21/97.

Joseph John Schipsi, Ill., to **Joseph '84** and Diane **Schipsi**, 11/01/97.

Mariana Galiga to **Michael '85** and Jeanne **Galiga**, 09/25/97.

Victoria Ann Azar to Kevin and **Julie (Faust) Azar '86**, 07/08/97.

Zebadiah Paul Boos to **Eric '86** and Karene **Boos**, 12/08/97.

Anthony Calcutta to **David '87** and **Kimberly (Tarr) '90 Calcutta**, 01/20/98.

Sarah Elizabeth Campbell to **Timothy '87** and **Michelle (Tyler) '88 Campbell**, 07/27/97.

Anna Kathleen and Jennifer Marie DiSalvo to Paul and **Kathy (Meek) DiSalvo '87**, 02/03/98.

Claire Maureen Kelley to **Thomas '87** and Mary Jo **Kelley**, 10/26/97.

Sierra Marie Lax to **Tim '87** and **Susan (Post) '87 Lax**, 04/17/98.

Anthony Joseph Vecchio, Jr., to Bud and **Kitty (Cibula) Vecchio '87**, 04/11/98.

Devin Joseph Watt to **Kyle '87** and **Karen (Finnegan) '91 Watt**, 06/03/98.

Megan Taylor Barth to William and **Shawn (Sacek) Barth '88**, 12/19/97.

Kathleen Louise Collins to **Jim '88** and Catherine **Collins**, 03/22/98.

Sydney Nicole Bozek to **Mike '89** and Rhonda **Bozek**, 06/10/98.

Grantham "Grant"

Lloyd Buntin to **Eric '89** and **Kerin (O'Rourke) '88 Buntin**, 05/26/98.

Lauren Hapke to **Matthew '89** and Natalie **Hapke**, 12/30/97.

Hannah Rita Skrinak to **Robert '89** and **Patricia (Hill) '90 Skrinak**, 08/14/97.

Brady Gregory Marshall to **Greg '90** and Jamie **Marshall**, 05/30/97.

Molly Sheehan to **Michael '90** and Jill **Sheehan**, 11/05/97.

Brendan Michael Wagner to Michael and **Colleen (Murphy) Wagner '90**, 07/01/97.

Anya Marie Burke to **Sean '91** and **Jennifer (Hammer) '91 Burke**, 05/24/98.

Tyler J. and Cameron Edward Grace to **Todd '91** and Michele **Grace**, 05/14/98.

Casey Elizabeth Matheu to **Bob '91** and **Traci (Gruenewald) '91 Matheu**, 01/30/98.

Joseph Paul Steigmeyer to **CJ '91** and Jenny **Steigmeyer**, 04/28/98.

Teagan Nicole Truskowski to Jeff and **Jennifer (Ward) Truskowski '91**, 02/11/98.

Christian William Brunner to **Jim '92** and **Kim (Zgonina) '91 Brunner**, 02/10/98.

David James Bays to Daniel Bays and **Margaret Burzynski-Bays '92**, 11/26/97.

Lucy Marie Foster to Roger and **Dawn (Bolen) Foster '92**, 08/22/97.

Emily Amanda Heintz to Mark and **Cindy**

(Stibich) Heintz '92, 03/28/98.

Bailey Kae Krueger to **Matthew '92** and Brigid **Krueger**, 11/13/97.

Cristina Anne Lee to Chuck and **Dawn Marie (Johns) Lee '92**, 12/25/97.

Blake Daniel Kirkham to **David '93** and Danielle **Kirkham**, 01/02/98.

Megan Nicole Zabrecky to Greg and **Jennifer (Janusonis) Zabrecky '93**, 04/13/98.

Jacob Shrimplin to Rob and **Jennifer (Groppe) Shrimplin '94**, 05/21/98.

Jacob James Hall to Jim and **Heather (Groom) Hall '95**, 05/05/98.

Chloe Korrigan Rayburn to Jeff and **Susan (Lintner) Rayburn '95**, 05/09/97.

Anastasia Maria Sabaj to **Tony '95** and **Tori (Bender) '95 Sabaj**, 01/17/98.

Christopher James Crawford to James and **Christina (McCoy) Crawford '97**, 03/31/98.



Marriages

Angela M. Bossung '94 and Derek Lawson, 04/21/95.

Jennifer Gropp '94 and Rob Shrimplin, 03/15/97.

Natalie Schweitzer '94 and **Andrew Hammer '94**, 12/27/97.

Trent Smith '94 and **Alison Keating '98**, 06/20/98.

Audra Bailey '96 and
Jason Richardson,
12/27/97.

**Kimberly Chapman
'96** and **Robert Vinegar
'97**, 04/18/98

Harvey Culver '96 and
Beth Liming '97,
05/23/98.

Patrick Downey '96
and **Erin Sheehan**,
10/25/97.

**Christina Rodriguez
'96** and **Julio Vasquez**,
09/06/97.

**Jennifer Gretencord
'96** and **Roger Fry '96**,
06/27/98.

Megan West '98 and
Scott Moore '98, 06/13/98.



Deaths

Robert Metz '24, Date
Unknown.

Howard Hoover '32,
2/27/98.

**Reverend Thomas
Heilman '33**, 1/16/98.

Richard Meyer '35,
Date Unknown.

Carl Smith '35,
12/27/97.

**Reverend Michael
Spegele, C.P.P.S., '35**,
3/16/98.

**Reverend Benedict
D'Angelo, C.P.P.S., '36**,
02/21/98.

Stan Skees, Jr., '37,
12/18/97.

George Kelly '38,
01/24/98.

John Deegan '43, Date
Unknown.

Melvin Schlink '43,
12/95.

Richard McDevitt '44,
06/03/98.

**John Terveer, M.D.,
'45**, 10/97.

Richard Cody '46,
2/15/98.

Joseph Regan, Jr., '46,
01/29/98.

**Reverend William
Volk, C.P.P.S., '46**,
05/26/98.

Ralph Peters '47,
03/18/97.

**Reverend John Bosch,
C.P.P.S., '48**, 04/14/98.

Paul Ehrenfried '48,
12/31/97.

**Bernard K. Whaley
'48**, 06/03/98.

**Raymond Gatza, Ph.D.
'49**, 01/16/98.

Charles T. Ormsby '49,
06/26/98.

John Riley '49,
03/18/97.

Donald Dippel '50,
09/01/97.

Jack Kelly '50,
07/19/97.

John Matthews '50,
1997.

Alfred Murphy '50,
06/17/97.



*Reverend James Froelich,
C.P.P.S., '51*

**Reverend James
Froelich, C.P.P.S., '51**,
07/10/98.

Jack Haggerty '51,

12/97.

Keller Riede '51, 02/98.

**James Drake, M.D.,
'52**, 04/24/98.

**Joseph Sebastian,
M.D., '52**, 1998.

Paul Gatza '58,
12/18/96.

Leroy Emge '62,
02/05/97.

Charles Michna '62,
Date Unknown.

Mildred Stephens '62,
Date Unknown.

**Tony Caldanaro, Jr.,
'63**, 01/19/98.

Leonard Galka '65,
06/01/98.

Robert Geoffrion '65,
05/03/98.

**Joseph (Huck)
Quigley, Jr., '65**, 07/97.

John Reed, Jr. '68,
Date Unknown.

Lora Keene '69, Date
Unknown.

Jon Kinate '69, Date
Unknown.

Eric Crist '78, Date
Unknown.

Michael Walker '78,
06/23/98.

Thomas Dumas '80, life
member of the Board of
Trustees and 1980 hon-
orary degree recipient,
7/31/98.

Mary Ann Meyer,
administrative assistant
to the president (1964-98)
11/13/98.

Baseball

Feb. 26-28	at Metrodome (MN)	TBA
Mar. 5-14	Spring Break Trip, Fort Myers, FL	
Mar. 16	at Valparaiso University	2:00 p.m.
Mar. 17	at Bethel College	3:00 p.m.
Mar. 20	at University of Missouri-St. Louis	2:00 p.m.
Mar. 21	at Quincy University	12:00 p.m.
Mar. 23	Purdue University	2:30 p.m.
Mar. 24	at University of St. Francis (IL)	3:00 p.m.



Mar. 27	University of Indianapolis	12:00 p.m.
Mar. 28	University of Indianapolis	1:00 p.m.
Mar. 30	St. Xavier University	2:30 p.m.
Mar. 31	at Indiana-Purdue Fort Wayne	12:00 p.m.
Apr. 2	at Wisconsin-Parkside	12:00 p.m.
Apr. 3	at Wisconsin-Parkside	12:00 p.m.
Apr. 5	Olivet Nazarene University	1:00 p.m.
Apr. 10	at Kentucky Wesleyan College	12:00 p.m.
Apr. 11	at Bellarmine College	12:00 p.m.
Apr. 14	Indiana-Purdue Fort Wayne	1:00 p.m.
Apr. 17	at Northern Kentucky University	12:00 p.m.
Apr. 18	at Northern Kentucky University	1:00 p.m.
Apr. 20	Huntington College	1:00 p.m.
Apr. 21	at Robert Morris College	5:00 p.m.
Apr. 24	Lewis University	12:00 p.m.
Apr. 25	Lewis University	12:00 p.m.
Apr. 28	at St. Xavier University	3:30 p.m.
Apr. 29	at University of St. Francis (IL)	3:30 p.m.
May 1	University of Southern Indiana	12:00 p.m.
May 2	Southern Illinois-Edwardsville	12:00 p.m.
May 7-9	GLVC Tournament	TBA
May 13-16	NCAA Division II North Central Regional	TBA
May 20-29	NCAA Division II College World Series @ Montgomery, AL	TBA

Softball

* Mar. 7	Lake Superior State University	10:00 a.m.
* Mar. 7	Bloomsburg University	1:30 p.m.
* Mar. 8	University of South Dakota	9:00 a.m.
* Mar. 8	University of Indianapolis	10:45 a.m.
* Mar. 10	Shippensburg University	10:45 a.m.
* Mar. 10	Stonehill University	2:15 p.m.
* Mar. 11	American International University	9:00 a.m.
* Mar. 11	Lock Haven University	10:45 a.m.
* Mar. 12	Ashland University	10:00 a.m.
* Mar. 12	Southwest State	1:30 p.m.
Mar. 20	at Northern Kentucky University	12:00 p.m.
Mar. 21	at University of Indianapolis	1:00 p.m.
Mar. 25	at Olivet Nazarene University	2:00 p.m.
Mar. 27	Quincy University	11:00 a.m.
Mar. 28	University of Missouri - St. Louis	11:00 a.m.
Mar. 29	Kankakee Community College	2:00 p.m.
Mar. 31	at University of St. Francis (IL)	3:00 p.m.
Apr. 2	Lewis University	1:00 p.m.
Apr. 6	University of Wisconsin-Parkside	3:00 p.m.
Apr. 7	at Lewis University	3:00 p.m.
Apr. 10	at Kentucky Wesleyan College	12:00 p.m.
Apr. 11	at Bellarmine College	1:00 p.m.
Apr. 13	at University of Wisconsin-Parkside	3:00 p.m.
Apr. 15	University of St. Francis (IN)	3:00 p.m.
Apr. 16	Indiana-Purdue Fort Wayne	3:00 p.m.
Apr. 17	Southern Illinois Edwardsville	1:00 p.m.
Apr. 18	University of Southern Indiana	1:00 p.m.
Apr. 21	at Taylor University	3:00 p.m.
^ Apr. 24	Findlay University	12:00 p.m.
^ Apr. 24	Hillsdale College	4:00 p.m.
^ Apr. 25	Lake Superior State	8:00 a.m.
^ Apr. 25	GV State	4:00 p.m.
Apr. 27	at Huntington College	3:00 p.m.
Apr. 28	Marian College	3:00 p.m.
Apr. 30-May 2	GLVC Tournament at University of Southern Indiana	TBA
May 7-8	NCAA Division II Great Lakes Regional	TBA
May 16-21	NCAA Division II Championships at Pensacola, FL	TBA

Men's Tennis

Feb. 27	at Anderson University	11:00 a.m.
Mar. 17	Manchester College	3:00 p.m.
Mar. 20	at University of Southern Indiana	TBA

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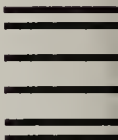
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Mar. 21	at Kentucky Wesleyan College	TBA	Apr. 2	Chicagoland Championships at Lewis University	TBA
Mar. 24	at Wabash College	3:30 p.m.	Apr. 7	Great Lakes Valley Conference at Southern Illinois Edwardsville	TBA
Mar. 27	Lewis University	TBA	Apr. 10	Little State Invitational at University of Indianapolis	TBA
Mar. 29	at Olivet Nazarene University	3:00 p.m.	Apr. 23	at Purdue University	TBA
Mar. 31	Indiana-Purdue Fort Wayne	3:00 p.m.	Apr. 24	at Purdue University	TBA
Apr. 1	Bellarmino College	TBA	May 1	at Butler University	TBA
Apr. 2	Northern Kentucky University	TBA	May 7	at Washington University, MO.	TBA
Apr. 3	University of Indianapolis	TBA	May 14	at North Central College	TBA
Apr. 6	at Huntington College	3:00 p.m.	May 27-29	NCAA Division II Outdoor Track and Field Championships at Emporia State University (KS)	TBA
Apr. 9	at Quincy University	TBA			
Apr. 10	at University of Missouri - St. Louis	TBA			
Apr. 11	at Southern Illinois Edwardsville	TBA			
Apr. 15-17	GLVC Championships at Indianapolis, IN.	TBA			

Women's Golf

Mar. 28-29	Invitational at Bellarmine College	TBA
Apr. 1	at University of Indianapolis	TBA
Apr. 9-10	at Kentucky Wesleyan Invitational	TBA
Apr. 25-26	at Lewis University Invitational	TBA

Men's Golf

Mar. 22-24	NCAA Division II District IV at Kentucky Wesleyan College	TBA
Mar. 28-29	at Bellarmine College Invitational	TBA
Apr. 17-19	NCAA Division II District IV at Auburn, IN	TBA

Track and Field

Jan. 15	at Purdue University (Women)	TBA
Jan. 16	at Purdue University (Men)	TBA
Feb. 2	Chicagoland Championships or Conference at Lewis University	TBA
Feb. 6	at University of Wisconsin-Stevens Point	TBA
Feb. 12	Chicagoland Invitational at Lewis University or Ball State Invitational	TBA
Feb. 26	at Lewis University	TBA
Mar. 5	at Indiana University	TBA
Mar. 12	NCAA Division II Indoor National Championships RCA Dome at Indianapolis, IN	TBA
Mar. 20	at Wabash College Relays	TBA
Mar. 27	at University of Indianapolis	TBA

* Rebel Games, Orlando, FL

^ GLVC vs. GLIAC Tournament at Battle Creek, MI

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